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## ROSEBUDS WILT IN FIRST GAME



• Newcastle Rosebud United, the new NSL team formed by Adamstown Rosebud, from left, back row: Warren Haslam, John Macquarrie, Robert Cox, Dean Milosevic, Warren Davies, Tony Caban, Jim Foley (coach). Front: Peter Morgan, Bernard Kerby, Joe Senkalski, Ralph Maier, Derek Todd, Simon Brandt. Picture: LES SHORROCK. Rosebud lost its first match, 0-2 to Juventus, at Olympic Park No. 2

## Heroic act at Middle Park



Hellas star Alan Davidson (left) tangles with Hakoah's Gerardo Gomez at Middle Park.

## Davidson saved by fan



Laurie Schwab

Man of the Match:  
**STEVE BLAIR**  
(SM-Hellas)

SM-Hellas 0  
SC-Hakoah 0

Venue: Middle Park  
Referee: Jim Fearn 8.  
• Hellas supporter Bill Siavalas had his third confrontation with death when he sprang to the aid of Alan Davidson at Middle Park last week.

Davidson himself later thanked Siavalas for having saved his life.

But the experience brought back heart-wrenching memories for Siavalas.

Six years ago, he applied mouth-to-mouth resuscitation in an attempt to save his two-year-old daughter, Joanna.

He failed. Joanna had a heart condition and despite her father's efforts, she died. Three months ago, Siavalas's South Clayton neighbor collapsed from the effects of a penicillin injection. Siavalas went to his aid and the neighbor still is thankful to him.

Davidson collapsed behind play against Sydney Hakoah last Sunday. Play was at the other side of the pitch, and Davidson lay on the ground for some time before Siavalas jumped the fence, freed Davidson's tongue and applied mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

"I had to do something. I could see he couldn't breathe," Siavalas said. "He was turning blue in the face. He had partly swallowed his tongue. He was lucky he hadn't swallowed it completely, otherwise I wouldn't have been able to do anything."

Davidson, in his bed at Prince Henry's Hospital, said: "I owe Bill my life. What more can I say? I just feel tremendously grateful. I'm only 23, so I reckon I've got a bit more living to do. 'I'm going to ask our president, Leo Anzack, to make Bill a life member of the club.'"

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# Mitchell for 'Roos

## ... and door to national team still open: Arok

By LAURIE SCHWAB

David Mitchell of Glasgow Rangers will play for Australia in the international series in May-June.

"It's stipulated in our contract with Rangers that they bring Mitchell along and allow us to use him in the Australian team," national coach Frank Arok said.

The Socceroos will earn at least \$1000 a week during the series.

Arok said that the 40 Socceroos he named last week for the international series were not necessarily the final selection.

"I never said it was my final squad," he said. "Other players still have about five or six weeks to force their way in. Some are staking a claim with some good performances, while others are dropping themselves with bad performances."

Mitchell, who joined Glasgow Rangers from Sydney City Hakoah last year, has played 12 full international games for Australia and scored eight goals. He played for Adelaide City Juventus before joining Hakoah.

Asked whether Australian expatriate Eddie Krncevic of Dinamo Zagreb also had a chance of playing in the international series against Manchester United, Juventus Nottingham Forest, Rangers, and perhaps Iraklis, Arok said:

"Krncevic is out of this year at least. Dinamo is second last on the Yugoslav ladder, he's in and out of them, and the club won't release him because it needs all the help it can get."

Asked about George Christopoulos, the former South Melbourne Hellas and Canberra Arrows player now with AEK Athens, Arok said: "I've never seen enough good things from him. He can't get mad. I want people to get mad, who are born winners."

Asked why he had not selected one of Victoria's top players, Tommy Cumming, Arok said Victorian coaches had not recommended him.

He denied he had overlooked Cumming because the player was suing the ASF over an injury he sustained while last in the national team. "I've never seen Cumming play, but I'll certainly look at him in the next few weeks. There are six or seven guys who are fighting hard to get into the squad."

Mitchell replaces Blacktown's Phil O'Connor who has withdrawn because of a cartilage operation.

O'Connor is the only one to drop out so far. Alan Davidson, who was injured last Sunday, will miss two NSL matches, but should be OK for the international series.

Arok is happy that even coaches who criticised him after his appointment, are now helping him. "Peter Ollerion, for example, sent me his list of recommendations last week," Arok said.

## Robson and other stars to stay home

Problems for the international series in May-June: Bryan Robson, Ray Wilkins, Mike Duxbury, Gary Bailey, Arthur Albiston, Steve Hodge, Viv Anderson, Dave Cooper and possibly Rami Moses and Alfie McCollist won't be playing.

England and Scotland clash in the British Championship at Hampden Park in Glasgow on May 26, the day Manchester United is due to meet Australia A at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Ron Atkinson, the manager of Manchester United, told "Soccer Action" Les Shorrocks by phone this week that Robson, Wilkins, Duxbury and Bailey would be required for the England team, and Albiston for Scotland, so they won't be able to tour.

Cooper of Glasgow Rangers, definitely will be in the Scotland squad, and McCollist is a possibility.

## England tour

England will tour South America for games against Peru, Brazil and Uruguay in June, and Anderson and Hodge both of Notts Forest, are likely to be in the squad, with Moses a possibility.

Robson's absence from the Manchester United team is the biggest blow to local fans, as he is the No. 1 player of United, and also captain of England. Another top player who won't be here for the series is European Footballer of the Year Michel Platini of Juventus, who is required to play for France at the time.

And the Greek club, Iraklis, may not arrive on schedule as it still is in the Greek Cup, the final of which will be played on June 10 — two days after Iraklis is scheduled to play against Australia B in Adelaide.



Gary Bailey (Man. Utd)



Gaetano Scirea (Juventus)

## United, Juve, Forest: the record-breakers

Juventus, Manchester United and Nottingham Forest long have been among the biggest spenders in world soccer.

Juventus twice set world transfer fee records.

In 1957, the great Omar Sivori switched to Juve from River Plate for \$1,000 pounds sterling, beating the previous record (Juan Schiaffino from Penarol to Milan) by 19,000 pounds. In 1968, Juventus established a new record, buying Pietro Anastasi from Varese for 500,000 pounds.

Juventus was involved in yet another world record fee, but this time it collected the money rather than spending it, when Vicenza paid a 1.75 million pound fee for a half-share in Paulo Rossi.

Rossi went back to Juventus for 2 million pounds in 1981, but the world record that year was the 5 million pounds Boca Juniors paid to Argentinos Juniors for Diego Maradona. Nottingham Forest was the first British club to pay a transfer fee over 1 million pounds — splashing out 1,150,000 for Trevor Francis of Birmingham, in 1979.

The following year, it bought Ian Wallace from Coventry for 1,250,000 and collected the same amount from Manchester United for Garry Birtles.

LAURIE SCHWAB

## Kiwis beaten by Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia sprang a major surprise in the Asia-Oceania Olympic qualifying tournament in Singapore when it beat fancied New Zealand 3-1 in a group A match.

New Zealand was 2-0 down after 26 minutes and did not pull a goal back until the 60th minute as it slumped to a defeat that undermines its hopes of reaching Los Angeles.

Meanwhile in group B, Thailand thrashed Japan 5-2. Thailand's hero was Piyapong Puen who scored a hat-trick with goals in the 17th, 50th and

74th minutes to delight a 25,000 crowd at the Singapore National Stadium.

New Zealand's next match is against Kuwait tomorrow (Thursday).

The 16-day tournament is being played in two groups with the group winners and the winner of a runners-up play-off qualifying for Los Angeles.

Scorers:  
Saudi Arabia — Majed Mohammed (12th minutes, 61), Mahaisen Aldosari (26).  
New Zealand — Ricki Berbert (60).  
Attendance: 25,000

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# Players to blame, says Lujic

"Bloody bullshit" said Zdravko Lujic at suggestions that Yugoslav and British players at Footscray JUST don't see eye to eye.

"The people who talk like that don't want to see JUST being successful. They are not friends of our club," said the 28-year-old left winger.

Gary McDowell is one of my best friends at JUST. In fact I think that Mr Frank Ark should have picked Gary to play for Australia.

"Mr Ark is doing what he thinks is right and I certainly hope that his team can reach the World Cup finals in Mexico in 1986 but in my opinion, Gary is better than many players who have been picked in the 40-man squad for the matches in May and June this year."

The Footscray JUST committee last week re-united Lujic with Cedo Cirkovic when it sacked Bobby McLachlan and appointed Cirkovic as coach. It was Cirkovic who brought Lujic from Yugoslavia to play with JUST in March, 1978.

"I was sorry for Bobby. He was a good man for JUST and the players certainly didn't have anything to do with him being sacked. Actually the whole thing happened so quickly that it surprised me."

"But that's soccer. Every committee wants instant success. Club's don't have much patience. I'm just

sorry for Bobby that we didn't play well against Green Gully Ajax."

McLachlan was sacked after Ajax defeated JUST 1-0 at Schintler Reserve two weeks ago.

"No-one played good for JUST in that match. I'm as much to blame as the other players. I think we all took that game far too easy. We all should realise that there is no such thing as an easy game."

"For me, JUST is a good team. We have some very, very good players. But I think psychology plays an important part in the way we perform. If we play against a big-name team, we always do well. If we play against one of the poorer teams, we always struggle."

"I still say that we will finish in the top five."

"I think Bobby was a little bit too defensive. Maybe that's because when he was a player he was a full back. That can be more important than people think."

"What can I say about Cedo Cirkovic? He brought me to Australia. In fact, it was Cedo who first switched me to left back and to be honest, I enjoy playing there. I like to overlap all the time."

However, Lujic has spent most of his playing career on the left wing. He played with Sloboda Tula, Novi Sad and Jedinstvo

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Brecko in Yugoslavia. He's played against former Soccer Australia and Marconi sweeper Ivo Prskalo and the great Dze Marston of St George Budapest in Yugoslavia. And while with Jedinstvo he played against his old club Novi Sad, then coached by Frank Ark.

"We won of course," said Lujic. But back to Cirkovic.

"Cedo Cirkovic has made thousands of dollars for JUST. Before he came, the club didn't make much money out of selling players."

"I think that Cedo is a great man. I'm used to his style of coaching. He coaches like other coaches in Yugoslavia. Everything is done with a ball. Players like that."

"And he's a very good man for developing players. JUST certainly has profited from this. Look at players like Zoran Iliaski, Joe Piccione, Joe Palinkas and Mendo Ristovski. It was Cedo Cirkovic who built them into top players and JUST was able to sell all of them for big money."

Lujic has played under five coaches at JUST. Apart from Cirkovic and McLachlan, he also played under Peter Jaksa, Milenko, Ruzmir and Rocco Ili.

"Remember that every coach has his own ideas. You can't compare one coach with another."

Lujic concedes that he didn't have a good season last year. He was injured early and kept playing. That was a mistake. But he feels a lot fitter now and he expects to get back into top form soon.

"I shouldn't have played with my injury last year. My sprint is the biggest part of my game. I maybe sprint over 60 or 70 metres about 20 times in a match, but I couldn't do that last year."

"I went on holiday in Yugoslavia last November and returned in January. It was a good thing for me because I trained during the Australian off-season with Sloboda Tula and I was able to get treatment from a very good masseur there. However, I was sick with the flu for the last 10 days of my holiday so when I came back I wasn't as fit as I should have been. But I can feel myself getting a lot stronger. I think that I will have a much better year this year than I did in 1983."

It's not easy to play a high standard of soccer in your native country, then when you no longer are able to get a regular First Division game, make a clean break and come to a new country to play. Lujic knows the feeling. He thinks that too many players come here from overseas with false impressions of Australian soccer.

"Too many players arrive here thinking that it will be easy to do well. That's rubbish. Believe me,

Australian soccer has quality. More quality than a lot of people think. There are players here who could play in a high standard overseas."

"For me Oscar Crino is a very good player. He must work hard at his game all the time, if he is to keep developing."

"Peter Katholos also is good. He didn't have a great season last year but now he's showing people what he can do. And I like John Kosmina too. He's a very physical player but he also is very smart in front of goal."

"The biggest problem in Australian soccer is with junior coaches. There are many good young players here but they aren't coached properly. If we had a lot of good young coaches, believe me, soccer in Australia would be great."

JUST has been Lujic's only club in Australia. Other NSL clubs have shown interest in signing him over the past few years but leaving JUST is no easy task.

"I love Footscray J.U.S.T. The club has been very, very good to me and my only wish is to see it get bigger and better. This present committee is working very hard. I know that. I can't complain with what they are doing. It just seems to me that there was a lot more interest in the club about six years ago. Maybe that was because the National League was new and everyone was excited."

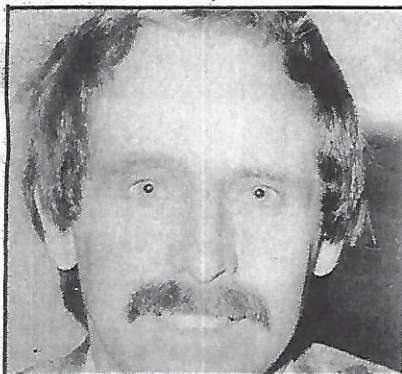
"But I still think that J.U.S.T. is a great club."



Zdravko Lujic

## Just when things were looking up...

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Bobby McLachlan — victim of the fickle fans

Bobby McLachlan was hailed by Footscray J.U.S.T. as a hero during the team's 10-week unbeaten run last season. This year under McLachlan, J.U.S.T. beat league leader Juventus 2-0 and drew 2-2 with second-placed South Melbourne Hellas, with key defender Kyri Kyriakoulas still unavailable, but that wasn't good enough for the J.U.S.T. supporters. They applied pressure on the committee, and McLachlan was sacked last week, after the team

had lost 0-1 to Green Gully.

In the blink of an eye, the supporters had forgotten that under McLachlan, J.U.S.T. last season achieved its highest points total in the NSL.

And it's ironic that J.U.S.T. should sack him in the very week that the team's main problem was to have been solved.

Kyriakoulas was back for his first full game, which would have allowed Gary McDowell to move into the midfield. Kyriakoulas is extremely important to the back line, and McDowell is the key midfielder, adding enormous strength to that department, when he isn't required to fill in as a centre back.

It was "Herald" journalist Bob Brian who first told McLachlan that he had been sacked. Brian had heard it from an official of a club other than J.U.S.T.

It wasn't until later that day that a J.U.S.T. official finally rang McLachlan to tell him officially of the sacking.

"That made it even worse. They should have had the courtesy to tell me first," McLachlan said this week.

"I'm disappointed. I don't kid myself on. When you get really good results against Juventus, Hellas and Makedonia (1-1) you've got to be on the right track. It's different if you can only beat bottom sides. Sure, we were rubbish against Green Gully. The players were the first to admit it, but our side is better than last year, and we were very close to getting it all together."

"We still had deficiencies, sure, and it's frustrating when you know the deficiencies and can't do anything about it, while other managers spend

\$25,000 for the likes of Paul Lewis, or \$22,000 for Gary Cole and Jim Campbell. We were simply not in that field. Our spending spree amounted to \$4000 for Jim Tansey, \$3000 for Jim Davis who hasn't played a league game yet because he's been injured, and \$4000 for the loan of Lou Tsigras."

"J.U.S.T. simply can't afford to buy the top players. They had enough problems meeting the contract obligations to their present players."

McLachlan also was disgusted over a scene in the dressing room after the J.U.S.T. match, when a supporter loudly abused Tansey.

"It was one of the most degrading things I've seen," McLachlan said. "There is no nicer person than Tansey, and he didn't deserve it. He was brilliant against Hellas, for example, but it's amazing how quickly people forget."

McLachlan thanked J.U.S.T. president Zika Karic and team manager Simon Turudia for their support to the end, until they were outnumbered by others on the committee.

"There are very, very nice people at J.U.S.T. — real gentlemen — but they sure take some punishment from the outsiders. I'd love to see J.U.S.T. do well, but the nasty element in the club has to change its attitude and all the factions will have to start working together."

McLachlan said the J.U.S.T. players would be much easier to play away from home, without the taunts of the club's supporters.

He was particularly angry at suggestions by a few of the fans that J.U.S.T. had "thrown" the match against

Green Gully, because Green Gully is McLachlan's former club.

"So many have had to put up with talk like that. Peter Blasby, the Croatia goalkeeper for example, and a lot of other Croatia players as well. There were claims like that made against Heidelberg players some time ago, if you remember. How absolutely ridiculous!"

John Margaritis, Joe Sweeney and Gary Ward had to put up with heaps early in the year, but now they're riding high on top of the ladder.

"They've come good, obviously, but had those fickle fans had their way, everyone would have been kicked out months ago."

"Fans have to understand that every team, every player, has good and bad patches."

"In J.U.S.T.'s case, they have to be realistic. On their budget, they can't compete consistently well against the very best teams. They've just got to make do with what they've got."

McLachlan thanked the players for their support, adding that the new coach, Cedo Cirkovic, had inherited "a fine bunch of lads."

McLachlan won two successive State League championships with Green Gully, as well as a big haul of

"Soccer Action" wishes him well and looks forward to his return to coaching, as quickly as possible.

### Junior tours

A good opportunity exists for junior soccer teams to experience the thrill of travelling and playing soccer overseas against countries that are part of the Oceania soccer region.

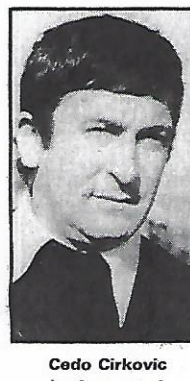
Two major tournaments have been established for October 1984 — the New Caledonia South Pacific Cup for under 13 and under 15 boys the Air Pacific Fiji Challenge Cup for under 14 and under 16 boys.

The tournaments will feature teams from Australia, New Caledonia and Fiji. As these are relatively small countries there is a good chance that the local teams will feature a number of future national stars. Teams are also to be invited from New Zealand.

The trips represent an education in themselves as well as giving the boys a taste of what soccer can offer in the long term. The destinations are close and the cost about a quarter of an equivalent tour to America or Europe.

These are annual events and teams interested should contact Roger Wellings of Sports-well Tours and Tournaments. Phone: (02) 232 7244.

Other events are also available for men's and women's



Cedo Cirkovic — back as coach

Cirkovic back for 10th year as coach

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Footscray J.U.S.T.'s "new" coach, Cedo Cirkovic, returns to the club he left in 1981.

One of soccer's true gentlemen, Cirkovic coached JUST from 1972 to 1978, when he left over a disagreement, and went to Hellas as director of junior coaching. He returned for the 1981 season, then joined Fawkner which was promoted to the State League under him. Cirkovic, 49, played for JUST before being elevated to the coaching position.

Under him, JUST won the 1973 State League championship, the 1975 Ampol Cup and the 1976 and 1977 State League Cups.

He left Fawkner early this year because, in a cost-cutting drive, the club asked him to accept lower wages.

Cirkovic had his battles with the JUST committee over the years, most notably over recruitment. Gary Cole and David Brown were among players he pushed the club hard to buy, but committed over-ruled him and made a series of bad buys instead.

Cirkovic returned to the club on a gentlemen's agreement. He has not signed a contract.

"If they are not happy with me, they can sack me. If I am not happy, I can leave," he says.

Players remaining in the squad since Cirkovic last was coach of JUST are Kyri Kyriakoulas, Vlatko Belic, Tom



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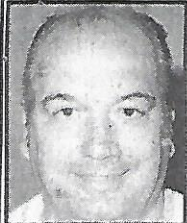
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Fil Botallico

## Here's why APIA's 'burning'

By  
**STEPHEN DETTRE**

APIA coach Fil Botallico is adamant his side has been given no special instructions this season to the way it has been sent out in the past.

"I haven't made any major change to the team this year, and my instructions to the players are the same this year as last," Botallico said.

Nevertheless, APIA is playing with much more assurance and panache this year, including a 3-1 demolition of the old rival, Marconi.

"I think that it is more a case that our players are developing a much better understanding," Botallico said.

"They seem to know what they're all going to do — that's why they look so mobile on the pitch," Botallico said he was also a great believer in utilising his players' abilities.

"We have a crop of small players, who can manoeuvre easily, on- and off-the-ball."

"They tend to be harder to effectively mark and they turn defenders suddenly. I've told them to utilise their speed and mobility and it's paying dividends."

He said players such as John Bradley, Tony Morsello, Peter Tredinnick and Ian Gray all had small or slight builds.

"I don't want rough-house players," he said.

"Even Arno Bertogna, who is a strongly built lad, doesn't throw his weight around and is one of the most polished defenders in the country."

Botallico said he was confident APIA's crowds would gradually build up, once the people saw the results were coming.

"Television coverage has also been a tremendous help because people can actually see what we've done, and it encourages them to go along to the match to enjoy the atmosphere."

Botallico said he only had a few gripes about playing home matches at Henson Park, with the main one being that it was a little too big.

"Even a crowd of three thousand can get lost in Henson Park," he said.

"The ground is in excellent condition for football, but is a little too far away from the spectators."

"I think we'd be even harder to beat if we could be back at Lambert Park."

Club president Nick Papalio agreed that it would be good if APIA could return to Lambert Park.

The ground was refused approval by the NSL this year because of the lack of decent change room facilities after the small grandstand was burned down last year.

"We have submitted several draft plans and sketches to both the Leichhardt Council and the Minister for Sport, but we've heard nothing back as yet," Papalio said.

He said it was almost certain APIA would return to Lambert Park next year, as long as the plans were approved.

He said they involved the construction of covered seating along the Marion Street side of the ground, and the complete reconstruction of the burned grandstand to include new seating, dressing rooms and press facilities.

"We'd all love to move back to Lambert Park which, after all, is in the heart of the area where most of our fans live."

He said APIA would continue to use Henson Park, although he said if the crowds did not pick up they would have to consider another move.

# \$500,000 BUT NO TITLE YET

By **PETER DESIRA**

**Half a million dollars outlaid in transfers and fat contracts — and not a championship to show for it yet!**

That is the sad story of big spender South Melbourne Hellas in its eight-year history in the National League.

A conservative estimate of transfer fees paid to other clubs for a massive tally of 54 players bought by the club since 1977 brings the total to \$432,000 — and that does not include the huge outlay the club has paid in signing-on fees to lure the players from other clubs.

Hellas coach Len McKendry has confidently told president Leo Anezakis that the present squad will see the club through the next three years.

McKendry is renowned for moulding sides over a period of more than one or two seasons — and it allowed to stick to his beliefs it will be a first for the club which has been known to splash out on new players at the first sign of bad results.

Anezakis has so far backed McKendry to the hilt — and for the first time the club is refusing to be held at gunpoint by players demanding big rises, as is clearly being shown by the stand against Carl Halford.

But whether the club can retain that policy with a band of supporters that demands a winning team at all costs remains to be seen.

Regardless of what the future holds the club will always have painful reminders of numerous big-money signings which failed to meet the chaotic standards set by supporters after being hailed as superstars when signing on the dotted line for the first time at Hellas.

Among the numerous failures are \$14,000 buy **Mendo Ristovski** who played only seven games for the club, **Graham French** who scored only two goals in 20 league games and **Steve Carr** who figured in only eight games — including five as substitute — in the turbulent 1979 season after his \$10,000 switch from Green Gully.

Other players who arrived with big-buck tags but failed to make it at Hellas include **Peter Vaughan** (one game for \$4000 outlay) **David Jones** (who played only 10 games after his \$15,000 transfer from Adelaide City) and **Gerry Bennett**, who was discarded by coach Tommy Docherty only 18 matches after he crossed from Green Gully for \$5000.

The imports side of the story also includes many who failed to hit it off at Hellas.

In most cases their transfer fee has been listed as \$2000 in the accompanying chart — a conservative estimate which would take in the air fare from Britain, telephone bills and early accommodation costs but does not include signing-on fees.

That group includes **Malcolm Manley** who was brought from Leicester at the tail end of the 1977 season and played in only two games; **Noel Mitten** who moved to Albion after only nine NSL appearances; **Danny McCuskey** who was brought from Stenhousemuir and did not make the NSL side and **Tony Turner** who caused a furore in 1979, costing Hellas three points in the League because he did not have a clearance from his non-league club in England.

Turner played nine games for Hellas in the NSL.

Others whose costs have been placed relatively cheaply at \$2000 because no other details are available are **Billy Bergmann** (one game in 1978), **Ken Drakeford** (12 games in 1979, recruited from Wolves) and **John Hansen**, the Danish keeper who made total of 20 appearances in 1978 and 1979.

There was the all-expenses paid trip to Hong Kong in 1977 for a well-known photographer to negotiate with **Dave Anderson** whose transfer never materialised.

The photographer is a good friend of mine and to ensure he stays that way the trip has also been conservatively estimated at \$2000 all up.

The photographer offered Hellas defender **Roy Stark**, but the club turned him down and Stark joined Canberra instead.

Contracts for other star players from overseas are a bit clearer.

## Hellas' player cost — season by season

**1977**  
**George Bozakis**, \$2000 from Princes Park.  
**Anton Dosen**, \$4000 from Hakoah.  
**Graham French**, \$10,000 from Mooroolbark.  
**John Gardiner**, \$4000 from Essendon Croatia.  
**Ian Gibson**, \$2000 from Heidelberg.  
**Chris Kent**, \$4000 from Ringwood Wilhelmina.  
**Malcolm MacDonald**, from Newcastle, England. \$2000 insurance premium and \$2000 a game for three games.  
**Malcolm Manley**, \$2000 from Leicester.  
**Noel Mitten**, \$2000 from Ireland.  
**Jack Reilly**, \$5000 from Heidelberg.  
**Billy Rogers**, \$8000 from APIA.  
**Danny McCuskey**, \$2000 from Stenhousemuir.  
**Scouting trip to Hong Kong in attempt to sign Dave Anderson**, \$2000.

**1978**  
**Stuart Baxter**, \$15,000 from Sweden.  
**Billy Bergmann**, \$2000 from Denmark.  
**George Campbell**, \$10,000, from Aberdeen.  
**George Christopoulos**, \$1000 from Coburg.  
**Alan Evans**, \$20,000 from Walsall, UK.  
**John Hansen**, \$2000 from Denmark.  
**Bertie Lutton**, \$8000 from Sydney City Hakoah.  
**Bobby McGuinness**, \$2000 from Sydney City Hakoah.  
**Frank Munro**, \$30,000 from Aberdeen.  
**Peter Vaughan**, \$4000 from Mooroolbark.  
**Sammy Wright**, \$2000 from Wolves.

**1979**  
**Dennis Boland**, \$4000 from Footscray JUST.  
**Steve Carr**, \$10,000 from Green Gully.  
**Alan Davidson**, \$1000 from Altona City.  
**Ken Drakeford**, \$2000 from Wolves.  
**Peter Laumets**, \$7000 from Altona City.  
**Mendo Ristovski**, \$14,000 from Footscray JUST.  
**Tony Turner**, \$2000 from UK non-league.

**1980**  
**Vince Bannon**, \$3000 from Frankston City.  
**Steve Blair**, \$1000 from Albion Rovers.  
**Branko Buljevic**, \$10,000 from Heidelberg.

**1981**  
**Jim Shirra**, \$30,000 from Dundee.  
**John Stevenson**, \$26,000 from Sydney City Hakoah.  
**Steve Wooddin**, \$20,000 from New Zealand.

**1982**  
**Gerry Bennett**, \$5000 from Green Gully.  
**Charlie Egan**, \$6000 from Frankston City.  
**Carl Halford**, \$6000 from Frankston City.  
**David Jones**, \$15,000 from Adelaide City Juventus.  
**Tony Owen**, \$1000 from Waverley.  
**Grant Turner**, \$2000 from New Zealand.

**1983**  
**Vlado Bozinovski**, \$1000 from Praharn Slavia.  
**Doug Brown**, \$15,000 from Preston Makedonia.  
**Oscar Crino**, \$10,000 from Tung Sing, Hong Kong.  
**Ken Murphy**, \$20,000 from Melbourne Croatia.  
**Bobby Russell**, \$14,000 from Adelaide City Juventus.  
**John Yzendoorn**, \$11,000 from Heidelberg.

**1984**  
**Paul Lewis**, \$25,000 from Green Gully.

**Hellas makes no secret of the fact that Frank Munro cost \$30,000 contract-wise to lure him from Aberdeen. Jim Shirra had a similar contract to convince him to leave Dundee for Hellas in 1981.**

Hellas actually paid a \$20,000 transfer fee to English Third Division club Walsall to bring **Alan Evans** here in 1978.

His contract details remain a mystery but he more than earned his money, scoring 36 goals for the club in 104 games.

Evans is still Hellas' overall top scorer in the NSL.

**Steve Wooddin** is another whose contract was in the \$30,000 bracket when he was finally lured from New Zealand after his successful World Cup campaign with the Kiwis.

He was given a free transfer this season to relieve the club of the remaining one year of his contract and his value in the chart has been set at \$20,000.

Another player about whom we have taken a rough approximation of costs is **Stuart Baxter** who relieved Hellas of at least \$15,000 for his two seasons at the club.

But he hasn't been one big bad luck story for Hellas in recruiting and at the top end of the scale it has made some bargain buys.

The top three would have to be **Steve Blair**, **Alan Davidson** and **George Christopoulos**.

The trio cost only \$1000 each to sign from Albion, Altona and Coburg respectively and Hellas got its money's worth many times over.

Blair already has passed the 100 appearance mark, is an Australian international and would be priceless on the transfer market now.

**Davidson**, now nearing 120 NSL games for Hellas, is still wanted by Arsenal and depending on the UK club's ability to win the appeal for a work permit will move for a minimum of \$30,000 if he does leave the club.

**Christopoulos** graduated from the NSL to the Australian team and now is playing for AEK in Greece.

Others who have proved bargain buys are **Charlie Egan** who has scored 32 NSL goals so far — excellent value for a paltry \$6000 outlay to Frankston — and **George Campbell** who gave the club five years of magnificent service after being recruited from Aberdeen.

Present-day players **Doug Brown**, **Oscar Crino**, **Ken Murphy**, **Bobby Russell** and **John Yzendoorn** are also proving that their big transfer fees was money well spent.

Both McKendry and Anezakis are confident **Paul Lewis** will also prove their judgement right once he settles into the side and gains match fitness and recovers his scoring touch.

One more significant point is that not one player has seen out the full eight years of NSL competition with the club although **Arthur Xanthopoulos** and **Chris Kalifatidis** were members of the original 1977 line-up.

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# Day of reckoning for APIA, Hellas

By PETER DESIRA

## The youth leagues

**NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE:** Newcastle 1, Wollongong 0, AIS 0, Blacktown 0, Canberra 1, Marconi 0, Olympic 4, Sydney City 3.

**Pointscore:** AIS 8, St George 8, Canberra 7, Newcastle 7, Blacktown 7, Melita Eagles 7, Sydney City 6, Olympic 6, APIA-Leichhardt 6, Penrith 5, Marconi 5, Syd Croatia 2, Wollongong 0.

**VICTORIAN YOUTH LEAGUE:** B.U. Juventus 5, Frankston Pines 1, Heidelberg 1, Utd 8, Nuna City 0, Green Gully 8, Knox City 0, St Melbourne 8, Hellas 4, Morwell Falcons 1.

Standings:	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SM-Hellas	5	0	1	18	7	10
Heidelberg	4	1	1	20	4	9
B.U. Juventus	4	1	1	11	6	9
San Geo Cross	3	2	0	10	4	8
Foots Just	3	1	1	11	5	7
Melb Croatia	3	0	1	8	5	6
Green Gully	2	1	3	13	7	5
Nuna City	2	0	3	7	16	3
Frankston Pines	1	1	3	10	14	3
Makedonia	0	2	5	5	8	2
Knox City	0	1	5	4	28	1
Morwell Falcons	0	0	6	3	15	0

## Overseas

**SINGAPORE:** Thailand beat Japan 5-2 (half-time 2-0) in an Asia-Oceania Olympic qualifying group soccer match here.

**Scorers:** Thailand-Piyapong Puen 17th minute, 50, 74; Hajar Hasekajohn 25th, Chalermsak Sengphol (45), Japan-Koichi Hashizume 27th, Kazuo Kimura 78th. Attendance: 25,000.

**ATHENS:** Greece and Cyprus drew 1-1 (half-time 1-0) in a friendly soccer international here.

**Scorers:** Greece-Anastopoulos (5th minute), Cyprus-Theofanis (72nd). Attendance: 5,000.

## Team of the week

In brackets: No. of appearances in team of the week

COX (1)	BLAIR (1)	BERTOGNA (1)	JACKSON (2)
(N. Rosebud)	(St M. Hellas)	(APIA)	(Brisb Lions)

WHEATLEY (1)	WADE (2)	BISKIC (1)
(Blacktown)	(Green Gully)	(Melb Croatia)

LOWE (1)	WINN (2)	DAUNT (1)
(Marconi)	(Heidelberg)	(Brisb Lions)

## VSF Travel Club award

Leaders in the VSF Travel Club — Ametco Travel award for the top scorer in the National Conference:

5. Winn (H'berg), Patterson (H'berg), Gojevic (Melb. Cr.), Brown (SM).
4. Sweeney (J), Daunt (BL).

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NSL matches with likely winners in capitals:

**SATURDAY**  
Newcastle Rosebud United v SYDNEY OLYMPIC at Adamstown Oval, 2.30 pm.

**SUNDAY**  
APIA LEICHHARDT v Sydney City Hakoah at Henson Park, 3 pm.  
Wollongong v MELITA EAGLES at Wollongong Showgrounds, 3 pm.

Penrith City v MARCONI at Cook Park, 3 pm.  
ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST v Brisbane City at St. George Stadium, 3 pm.

Sydney Croatia v Blacktown (draw) at King Tomislav Park, 3 pm.  
Adelaide City Juventus v Brunswick Juventus (draw) at Olympic Sports Field, 2.30 pm.

BRISBANE LIONS v Footscray J.U.S.T. at Richlands, 3 pm.  
MELBOURNE CROATIA v West Adelaide Hellas at Olympic Park No. 1, 3 pm.

Green Gully Ajax v HEIDELBERG UNITED at Green Gully Reserve, 3 pm.  
PRESTON MAKEDONIA v Canberra Arrows at Connor Reserve, 3 pm.

**MONDAY**  
SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v Sunshine-George Cross at Middle Park, 3 pm.

**WEDNESDAY (April 25)**  
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS v Brisbane Lions at Olympic Park, 7.30 pm.

## Bradley new leader

John Bradley of APIA has overtaken Tony Franken (Canberra) in the voting for the Boral Bricks \$1500 best player award.

Paul Wade of Green Gully continued his strong surge, moving up to equal seventh. Leaders in the Boral Bricks \$1000 top scorers award are Bradley and Olympic's Peter Katholos, with six each.

## First inter-conference challenge round

**BLACKTOWN 4 (Eaton 70, 80, 86, Larkin 73) PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Cole Pen. 87) at the Gabbie Stadium. Crowd: 750. Ratings by George Streeter.**

**BLACKTOWN:** Hoare 8 — Wheatley 9, Dunleavy 6, Pointer 7, Rasmussen 8, — Selva 6, Byrne 6, McLaughlin 8 — Sandy 7, Larkin 8, Eaton 8. Coach: Casey De Bruin.

**PRESTON MAKEDONIA:** Potter 6, Opanis 7, Dunn 8, Dobson 7, Petrovski 8, — Heys 7, Ozdakov 1, Petrovski 8, — McMillan 6 (Hills 74th). Coach: Peter Ollerton.

**Best six for Boral Bricks award:** 6. Wheatley, 5. Rasmussen, 4. Hoare, 3. Larkin, 2. Ozdakov, 1. Petrovski.

**BRISBANE LIONS 2 (Daunt 26th, Cairney 63rd) SYDNEY CROATIA 2 (Arnold 62nd, Boden 83rd) at Richlands. Crowd: about 1000. Ratings by Ricky Rosso.**

**LIONS:** Evans 7 — Jackson 8, Hunter 7, Vasquez 7, Niven 8, R. Stewart 6, J. Stewart 8, Ogden 7, McDonagh 7 (Junna 80th), Daunt 7, Cairney 7. Coach: Harry Noon.

**SYDNEY CROATIA:** Watson 8 — Woods 8, Sterrey 7, Vidale 6, Tomasich 6, — Savor 6, Borges 6 (Meades 72nd), Boden 7, Clinch 7 — Arnold 7, Godzik 6 (Kilman 72nd). Coach: Atti Abonyi.

**Best six for Boral Bricks best player award:** 6. Jackson (BL), 5. Watson (SC), 4. Savor (SC), 3. J. Stewart (BL), 2. Woods (SC), 1. Niven (BL).

**ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST 1 (Ratcliffe 36 min) ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 0, at Olympic Sportsfield. Crowd about 1000. Ratings by Frank Pangallo.**

**ST. GEORGE:** Greedy 7 — Sken 7, Ratcliffe 6, M. O'Shea 7, Koczka 7 — J. O'Shea 7, Stone 7, Barton 8 (Ricoy 80) — Marton 9 (Danaskos 81), Slater 8, Petrovski 7. Coach: Frank Arok.

**ADELAIDE CITY:** Juv. McCall 7 — Shillabeer 6, Flounders 6, Nyskohous 6, Cecere (Higgins 75) 6 — Maxwell 6, Malta 7, De Vito 6 — Rankin 6, Mullen 6, Gatenby 6. Coach: Edmund Krett.

**Best six for Boral Bricks best player award:** 6. Marton (St G.), 5. Slater (St G.), 4. Barton (St G.), 3. Petrovski (St G.), 2. Ratcliffe (St G.), 1. Sken (St G.).

**APIA LEICHHARDT 4 (Bradley 7th and 31st, P. Treddinnick 9th, Caban 75th) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 1 (Papadopoulos 66th) at Henson Park, Sydney. Crowd: about 1000. Ratings by Peter Scott.**

**APIA:** Parks 6 — Skellern 7, Bertogna 8, Pullen 7, Brown 7 — Gray 7, Butler 7, P. Treddinnick 7 — Bradley 8, Caban 6 (Colaguri 83rd), Morsello 6. Coach: Fil. Bottalico.

**WA HELLAS:** Sproul 4 — Papazoglou 4, Honeyman 5, McGachey 6, McGregor 4 — Stamatiopoulos 5 (Papadopoulos 63rd), Panagis 4 (Stefanopoulos 40th), 5, Atsalas 5, Brown 5 — Konstantonopoulos 6, Malavazos 4. Coach: Sam Salabasilis.

**Best six for Boral Bricks best player award:** 6. Bradley, 5. Bertogna, 4. Butler, 3. Gray, 2. Treddinnick, 1. Pullen (All APIA).

**BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 2 (Zinni 54th, Lloyd 56th) NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD UNITED 0 at Olympic Park No. 2. Crowd: about 2,000. Ratings by Craig MacKenzie.**

**BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS:** Keogh 7 — Geremia 7, Dowie 8, Rogers 7, Hird 7 — Cullen 8, Miranda 7, Swinscoe 6 (Campbell 68th) — Lloyd 6, Ward 7, Zinni 7. Coach: John Margaritis.

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
JUVENTUS	5	1	1	12	8	11
SM-HELLAS	3	2	2	12	7	8
HEIDELBERG	3	2	1	12	9	8
MELB. CROATIA	3	2	2	15	14	8
BRISB. LIONS	2	3	2	9	11	7
W. ADEL. HELLAS	3	1	3	8	12	7
MAKEDONIA	2	3	2	7	11	7
ADEL. C. JUVE	2	2	3	6	7	6
BRISBANE CITY	2	2	3	6	9	6
FOOTSCRAY JUST	1	2	4	8	10	4
GREEN GULLY	1	2	4	5	12	4
S. GEO CROSS	0	2	5	2	13	2

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
APIA	4	2	1	14	8	10
MELITA EAGLES	4	2	1	10	7	10
SYD. C. HAKOAH	3	3	0	12	4	9
BLACKTOWN	3	2	1	12	8	8
SYD. OLYMPIC	3	2	2	11	7	8
ST. GEO. BUDAP.	3	2	1	7	4	8
PENRITH	3	2	2	12	10	8
NEWC. ROSEBUD	3	1	2	8	5	7
MARCONI	2	1	4	12	5	7
SYD CROATIA	1	3	3	10	17	5
CANBERRA	2	0	5	14	13	4
WOLLONGONG	1	2	4	7	16	4

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16 J. Stewart (BL), Tansey (JUST), Cannell (GG), Biskic (Melb G.), Reilly (SGC), Wotherspoon (P).  
Top scorers: 6. Bradley (APIA), Katholos (SO).

5. Farina (C), Winn, Patterson (H'berg), Gojevic (Melb Cr.), Brandt (Newc), Brown (SM), Soper (SO).  
4. Daunt (BL), Sweeney (J), Lowe (M), Jackson (P), Marton (St G.), Arnold (Syd Cr.), Kosmina (SC).

**Best six for Boral Bricks best player award:** 6. Wade (GGA), 5. Vardareff (W), 4. Cannell (GGA), 3. Willis (W), 2. Williams (GGA), 1. Bundalo (W).

**HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 2 (Patterson 6th, Winn 85th) CANBERRA ARROWS 1 (Reis 90th) at Olympic Village. Crowd: 2500. Ratings by Ken Kontra.**

**HEIDELBERG:** Oliver 8 — McKie 8, Machedo 8, Yankos 8, Gabrielson 7, Petersen 7, Selemdis 8, Valentine 7 — Vagias 6, Winn 9, Patterson 8. Coach: Brian Rogers.

**CANBERRA:** Franken 8 — Hogg 7, Shields 6, Ontong 7, Jones 7 — Perinovic 7, Mihailidis 8, Brockbank 7 (Phillips 81), Farina 8, Seramanni 7, Reis 8. Coach: Doug Collins.

**Best six for Boral Bricks best player award:** 6. Winn, 5. Patterson, 4. Farina, 3. Reis, 2. Yankos, 1. Franken.

**MARCONI 6 (Lowe 34, 42, 89 Pen, McCulloch 9, 74, Janakoules 85) SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 1 (McLaren 68) at Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 748. Ratings by Alex Vesic.**

**MARCONI:** James 7 — Carter 7, Henderson 7, Calderan 7, Budini 8 — McCulloch 9, Mason 8, Mariani 7 (Jankovics 74) — Lowe 9, Brown 6, Sharne 7. Coach: Les Scheinfield.

**SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS:** Contin 6 — Bennett 6, Richardson 6 (sent off), O'Reilly 6, Taylor 7 — McLaren 6, Stevenson 5, Pate 5, Jovanovic 5 — McGorran 6 (42 Gilder 5), Latif 5. Coach: Tommy Traynor.

**Best six for Boral Bricks Player award:** 6. Lowe, 5. McCulloch, 4. Mason, 3. Budini, 2. Henderson, 1. Sharne.

**MELITA EAGLES 2 (Hazabent 5th (OG) Jamieson 20th), FOOTSCRAY JUST 1 (Kyriakoulas 81st) at Melita Stadium. Crowd 1200. Ratings by Mick Mikolajczyk.**

**MELITA EAGLES:** A. McPherson 8 — McAusland 6 (McDonald 75th), Mc Ginn 6, Wilson 6, H. Treddinnick 8 — Davies 6 (Andriopoulos 64th), Jamieson 9, Allan 7 — Duarte 6, Griffiths 7, Johnston 7, Coach: Raul Blanco.

**FOOTSCRAY JUST** — Tsjaris 7 — Curovic 7, Kyriakoulas 6, Hazabent 6, Belic 7, Taylor 5 (Davis 34th), Carroll 7, O'Donnell 6 — Paton 6, Lujic 8. Coach: Cedo Cirkovic.

**Top six for Boral Bricks award:** 6. Jamieson (MI), 5. Lujic (F), 4. H. Treddinnick (MI), 3. A. McPherson (MI), 2. Johnston (MI), 1. Belic (F).

**PENRITH CITY 2 (Hale 19, 56), BRISBANE CITY 0 at Cook Park. Crowd 250. Ratings by Paul Goodwin.**

**PENRITH CITY:** Freeman 7 — Brogan 7, Daley 8, McIntosh 8, Cross 7 — Hale 7 (Lindsey 73), Ainsworth 6 (Waters 7), — Hunter 8, Cotton 7, Jackson 6 (Colusso 61), Coach: Willie Wallace.

**BRISBANE CITY:** Wishart 8 — Hughes 7 (Scriggins 70), Perry 7, Liddell 8, Wilkinson 7 (Mengotti) — Fabrizio 6, Pimblett 7, Swan 8, Bromfield 9 — Mountford 7, Falco 7. Coach: Joe Gilroy.

**Best six for Boral Bricks best player award:** 6. Bromfield (BC), 5. Hunter (P), 4. Wotherspoon (P), 3. Wishart (BC), 2. Daley (P), 1. McIntosh (P).

**SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 0 SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 0 at Middle Park. Crowd about 7000. Ratings by Laurie Schwab.**

**HAKOAH:** Pezzano 6 — Falconer 7, Robertson 8, Gomez 7, Cant 8 — Watson 8, Kay 7, Barnes 7 — Lee 6 (Fletcher 65th), Kosmina 7, Murray 6 (de Marigny 82nd). Coach: Eddie Thomson.





Sky's the limit for Bradley, Butler, Bottalico . . .

# New era of glory for APIA

## APIA 4 W.A. Hellas 1

Scorers: Bradley (A) 7th, 31st, Tredinnick (A) 9th, Papadopoulos (H) 66th, Caban (A) 75th.

Venue: Henson Park, Sydney.  
Cautions: Pullen (A), McGregor, Papazoglou, Atsakis, Konstadopoulos, Brown (All H).  
Referee: Rampley 5.

Better watch out Hakoah, APIA is out to scalp you on Sunday.

That was the unmistakable

message out of the Italian club's quietly satisfied locker room after the steamrolling of hapless West Adelaide Hellas.

It is patently obvious that the 1984 version of APIA is set on a course which has its final aim the emulation of the former glories of the great APIA squads of the sixties.

Fil Bottalico was a star of those great teams of yesterday.

Now, after some years in the doldrums, he is a major participant once again - this time as coach of the team he has been building for some time.

In spite of the final margin



Peter Scott

of three goals, he was just a little disgruntled.

When it was suggested that APIA easily could have run in eight or nine goals, Bottalico quietly retorted that, "We

miss too many chances every week."

Then on a lighter note: "Maybe we were just saving up a few for next week." Like I said, watch out Hakoah!

With the score at 3-1 and a quarter of an hour still on the clock, one of the more effective Hellas strikers, George Konstantonopoulos, had a great chance to put the visitors back in the game with a chance, but he missed miserably.

To really rub salt into the wound, Bradley and Caban set up a neat passing pattern immediately from the counter attack with the latter easily

## Man of the Match: JOHN BRADLEY (APIA)

beating a clumsy off-side "trap" to take APIA's tally to four.

Truth be known, it was no less than justice for Hellas to be on the receiving end of a thrashing, as the Greek club was no opposition on the day.

The pattern of the match was obvious from the start,

and it was as good as over before ten minutes had passed.

In the seventh minute Terry Butler, back on deck in his captain's role, slipped a neat ball through the defence and it took a deflection off goalie Gary Sproul to Bradley, who managed to net even as a desperate Hellas defender was hanging on to him.

This was a preview of the grand form John Bradley is in, as Peter Tredinnick's big moment came first, just two minutes later.

It came in the form of a neatly placed shot for APIA's second goal.

The margin widened when Butler sent Ian Gray streaking down the right wing. He stepped around his pursuer, putting a neat, low cross into the penalty area.

Bradley had to get down on his knees, but still managed to head into the net surrounded by a crowd of Hellas defenders making like spectators.

The only moment of consolation for the South Australians came in the 66th minute, when young substitute Papadopoulos raced onto a long through ball and neatly side-footed it into Parks' net.

## Collins blasts Jim Fokianos

### Heidelberg 2 Canberra 1

Scorers: Heidelberg: Patterson 6th, Winn 89th; Canberra: Reis 90th.

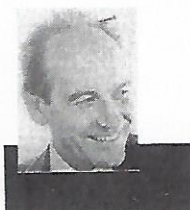
Venue: Olympic Village.  
Cautions: Macleod (H), Patterson (H).  
Referee: Jim Fokianos 6.

Doug Collins was disappointed bitterly with the standard of refereeing, and criticized two decisions in particular: Canberra's disallowed second half goal for a foul on Jeff Olver, and Steve Winn's goal (which proved to be the matchwinner), claiming that the ball was cleared before crossing the goal line.

Admittedly, referee Jim Fokianos did not have a particularly good game, but in fairness to him, he already whistled for a free kick before John Mihailidis' corner kick actually entered the net and with regards to Heidelberg's second goal, although Winn's low header from a Mike Valentine corner was kicked out of the goal by the Canberra defence, the linesman immediately signalled a goal, and Fokianos was well positioned to confirm his fellow official's opinion.

The main difference between these teams was in defence. Don MacLeod and Charlie Yankos being much steadier than Shields and Paul Ontong, easily winning aerial duels and backing up each other well. Canberra on the other hand, had no answer to Scott Patterson's heading ability and could not cope with Steve Winn's aggressive running and excellent positioning.

Theo Vagias, at this stage, lacks the experience to contribute sufficiently, and while



## Man of the Match: STEVE WINN (Heidelberg)

he no doubt will improve in time; Heidelberg could use an experienced striker right now to retain its top four standing. Perhaps Peter Devine from English Second Division club Blackburn Rovers will fill that bill.

It was a dream start for Heidelberg. After only six minutes, a Valentine corner was expertly headed home by Patterson, to give his team an early lead.

Canberra started the second half well. Reis beat John Gabrielson on the turn, and crashed a powerful shot against the crossbar in the 54th minute. Shortly after, Canberra had the ball in the net, from a Mihailidis corner, which was disallowed by Fokianos due to a foul on Olver by Roy Jones.

With ten minutes to go, Franken brought off the save of the match, when he palmed away Selenidis' powerful header from meters.

In the 89th minute Winn wrapped it up.

Just on full time, Reis volleyed home Hogg's corner for Canberra's consolation goal.

## Man of the Match: ROBERT COX (Newc. Rosebud)



Joe Senkalski

### B. Juventus 2 N. Rosebud 0

Scorers: Zinni 54th, Lloyd 56th.

Venue: Olympic Park No. 2.  
Crowd: About 2000.  
Cautions: Miranda (Juve), Todd (NRU).  
Referee: Stuart Mellings 8.

While Newcastle Rosebud United was battling to prove itself in its first NSL sortie, a battle of different sort was taking place in the press-box at Olympic Park No. 2.

There are seven telephones in the sky over the main grandstand. None of them are operable. Three phones need keys to operate yet not one Olympic Park official nor journalist had the precious keys.

So what's it all about? Journalists are trying to file stories at half time and at the end of the match and are unable to do so. Is that the kind of promotion soccer is going to get from Olympic Park for the remainder of the year?

The Australian Associated Press story of matches of Olympic Park No. 2 is indexed Australia-wide. Surely there's no need to tell Juventus officials and fans how important this service is to the club in terms of national publicity.



Craig Mackenzie

But Juventus and Olympic Park have another more pressing problem.

They remain unhappy bedfellows.

Juventus left Olympic Park a few weeks ago, unhappy with the leasing terms offered. However, after one match on the sub-standard Gillon Oval surface, it was back to Olympic Park.

A new deal was struck, but judging by the earnest and unamiable conversation between some Juventus officials and Olympic Park officials during the money counting ceremony at the end of the game there still are major problems to be solved.

One Juve official told me candidly that he no longer was prepared to be part of an agreement with Olympic Park. He described the leasing arrangement as "ad hoc" and told me that no formal written contract existed between the parties.

The importance of this win to Juventus can't be over-

stressed. With South Melbourne Hellas drawing 0-0 with Sydney Hakoah a few miles away at Middle Park, Juve's win gave it a three point cushion at the top of the National Conference table.

The present-day Juventus is a far cry from the team which stumbled and fumbled its way through the Buffalo Gold Summer Cup.

There's stability at the back with John Dowie growing in stature with each game in his new-found sweeper's role. And evergreen Billy Rogers is a masterly central defender.

Consistent Harry Hird has a mortgage on the left back spot but the real surprise packet for me has been little, tenacious Frank Geramia, a commendable fill-in for injured Vince Bannon at right back. Newcastle Rosebud United was impressive in the first half. Simon Brandt is really sharp and buzzed about in and around the Juventus penalty area, causing Juve defenders to clear hurriedly with big boots downfield.

With five minutes left in this half, Joe Senkalski, from an acute angle on the right, curled the ball over Sean Keogh to the far post but a Kevin Swinscoeheader a metre off his goal line, ended the threat.

Within a minute Juventus had been awarded a penalty.

Warren Haslam had tripped Gary Ward.

Ward took the penalty kick but young Robert Cox pulled off a tremendous save, parrying the ball wide. Cox was alert enough to recover quickly and smother Richard Miranda's attempt to score from the rebound.

In the first minute of the second half, Cox again showed his outstanding qualities. Rogers, at the far post for a Miranda corner, let the ball fall for Andrew Zinni, whose well struck shot from 10 metres was plucked safely by Cox in mid-air.

But Cox was powerless to stop Zinni giving Juventus the lead in the 54th minute.

Zinni made a diagonal run inside the Rosebud penalty area. I thought he was offside when Ward played a superb through ball to him. The linesman and referee Mellings thought differently and Zinni turned and shot in one fluid movement, sending the ball into the bottom far corner.

Two minutes later a superb Miranda chip and a stunning Kevin Lloyd back-header gave Juventus an unbeatable lead.

Ward almost increased that lead in the 74th minute with a fierce drive from 22 metres which sent the ball crashing onto the Rosebud cross-bar and back into play.

## AROK IN CANBERRA

• The man in soccer's hot seat — national coach Frank Arok — will be Canberra's VIP club guest of honour on April 30 at the Gold Creek homestead owned by ex-Socceroo Johnny Warren.

## CAMPBELL SEEKS JOB

• Juventus's new Scottish player, Eddie Campbell (Ex-Partick) is looking for a job. He's a fitter, and he's 23 years old. Firms able to offer him work are asked to contact Joe Caruso on 312 4711 or 386 2674.

## BOZIKAS SEEKS MOVE

• Former Heidelberg Alexander forward Andy Bozikas is seeking a transfer from Fawkner. Bozikas can be contacted on 465 3129 (home) or 430 2232 (work).

## Croatia dazzles, Soper to be fined

### Syd. Olympic 1 Melb. Croatia 3

Scorers: Gojevic (C) 7th, Hannah (C) 11th, Brogan (C) 73rd, Katholos (O) 85th.

Venue: Pratten Park.  
Sent off: Marshall Soper.  
Cautions: Soper (O), Hannah (C), Biskic (C).  
Referee: Gary Power.

Croatia put on a stylish exhibition to carve apart Olympic which played with surprising arrogance.

While Olympic failed to compete, Croatia snapped at every half chance and invariably won the ball, leaving the ponderous Olympic midfielders in their wake.

Croatia played a crisp passing game, flicking the ball around the park and then hitting intelligent crossfield balls that caught Olympic square.

Their lightning attacks were



Andrew Dettre

never better illustrated than after seven minutes when a series of passes ended with a curling cross to Tommy Cumming in the box.

The tiny dynamo stumbled when challenged by Jennings, but Biskic pounced on the loose ball, darted to the goal-line and pulled back a stunning cross which Gojevic headed home.

Hardly had Olympic had time to recover from that setback when George Hannah punished them again for poor

## Man of the Match: JOSIP BISKIC (Melb. Croatia)

marking. Another quick Croatia attack broke down, but the headed clearance was weak and Hannah sent a looping volley back over Meier's head for goal number two.

The Olympic fans remained subdued — possibly unaware that this match did count for competition points.

The Croatian fans, switching their allegiance temporarily to their Melbourne cousins, were delighted with the two early goals and with watching Olympic flounder.

For flounder they did. The normally virile midfield was as impotent as it has ever been, with only Patikas raising himself above mediocrity.

Olympic's defence was partially to blame, for it starved the midfield with a series of curious long balls to the forwards which cut the midfield out of play.

After 14 minutes Olympic had a golden chance to pull themselves back into the game when Keith Adams upped Soper inside the box.

But the normally reliable Raskopoulos hit his spot kick weakly and Peter Blasby saved well.

Soper was booked in the 31st minute for a silly foul, then repeated the dose nine minutes later and was dismissed by referee Power.

Reduced to ten men, Olym-

pic's task was virtually impossible.

They battled to get back into the match after half time, but Croatia never looked like being ruffled.

In fact they often had Olympic reeling in the last ten minutes.

By that stage it was 3-0 when Brogan somehow got a head to Curcio's cross and the ball spun awkwardly over Meier.

Olympic may claim that they did have chances, but the out of form Koussas and desperate Dakos' efforts were hardly enough.

In the end it was left to Peter Katholos to score yet again, after he latched onto a nice through pass from Patikas and smacked the ball past Blasby.

Coach Terry Hennessy was naturally delighted with the result, claiming the team had the class to cause more surprised throughout the year.

"It's been a matter of concentration in the past," he said.

"We've given away silly goals and lost. Now we're keeping our wits about us for 90 minutes. If we do that we've got the skill to score goals and win many more matches."

Olympic's Manfred Schaefer was repable about Soper's dismissal.

"I'm not going to stand for acts of stupidity by any player, let alone one who has claims for the national team," he said.

"If the club doesn't fine him, then I will." Schaeffer said he thought the team fought hard in the second half. "But it was a case of things going wrong for us all day," he said.



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## Wade stars again, Alston satisfied

**Green Gully 1  
Wollongong 1**

**Scores:** 0-1 Fontana 2m, 1-1 Cannell 74m pen  
**Referee:** Sam Zoumas 7  
**Cautions:** Cannell (GG), Vietstra, Gaffney, Bundalo (W)

Wollongong coach Adrian Alston joined the Paul Wade admiration society, singing the praises of the talented youngster after Wade had dominated for a large part of this bottom-of-the-table clash.

"Wade is an excellent player. He did everything in this match and was still running after 90 minutes. His distribution is good and his heading ability is tremendous," Alston said.

The Wollongong coach, nicknamed "Noddy" because of his own heading ability during his Soccerway days, couldn't help having a dig at his former Soccerway teammate Jimmy Rooney, adding "If I were the coach, I'd be using him more."

The dig was lighthearted but Alston presented a refresh-

**Man of the Match:**  
**PAUL WADE**  
(G.G. Ajax)

ingly different attitude, admitting after the game that Gully had been the better side.

"I wasn't happy with the way we played but you take into consideration that the penalty they got was doubtful and that it is always hard playing away and you have to be pleased with a draw."

"Jimmy's side played excellent soccer and he has got them playing the right way."

"They played better soccer than us but then they are a far more experienced side than we are. We've got a very young team and it is hard to adjust at this level."

Rooney called the result a "disaster" for yet another week but was pleased that other coaches are beginning to realise the amount of ability Wade possesses.

"For the amount of possession we had we should have won it easily. But we're not getting the breaks in front of goal and we're still badly missing Steve Short at the back."

"Regarding Paul Wade, I've always known he is a great player and that is what I've been trying to tell Frank Arok and the media in the past few weeks."

"The thing is that his potential has only half been realised and he is going to get even better," Rooney said.

With Wade dominating to such an extent Gully had the lion's share of play in the first half but it took a shock goal from Glen Fontana in the 54th minute to put added sting into the side so it really started

**Peter Desira**

threatening Match Vardareff in the Wollongong goal.

Fontana took advantage of one of the few times the Gully defence was caught square, to run onto a delightful through ball from Larry Gaffney and slot it past the advancing Lou Denys.

The Greens responded within the minute, putting the ball into the net at the other end through Les Carter but the goal was disallowed for offside.

Carter, deprived of any worthwhile service for most of the game, did earn Gully the equaliser however when Ray Vietstra checked him in the penalty area and referee Sam Zoumas immediately pointed to the penalty spot.

Cannell made no mistake from the spot kicking sending Vardareff the wrong way and slotting the ball to the left to become Gully's top scorer with two penalty goals to date. Alston claimed it was a "soft" penalty — but Zoumas said afterwards that there were no doubts in his mind and that Vietstra apologised to his teammates rather than dispute the decision.

Apart from Fontana's goal, Wollongong had two other worthwhile attempts, first when David Green hit the side netting following an intelligent overlapping run down the right in the first half and soon after the goal when John Fleming's 25-metre shot required two bites at the cherry by Denys to bring the ball under control.

Gully on the other hand piled on the pressure in the closing half four and it was only Vardareff's saves and Peter Willits' determined mood at sweep-er which kept them at bay.

The attempts at goal included a piledriver from en Smart in the 68th, another from Fab Mancinelli which was turned away for a corner and a wickedly serving corner kick from Jimmy Williams which Vardareff also managed to get a hand to.

Rooney replaced Toal to give Steve McClelland his first run in the NSL in the 71st minute and the Scot held his own in an unfamiliar front-running role.

He threw his weight around well and went in for two tackles, showing no signs that the broken leg he sustained in his debut for the club last year is playing on his mind.

This week the Greens regain David Smallman after injury and hopes are high that the club can put a result even though the opponent is high-flying Heidelberg.

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Lions went into the break with a much desired 1-0 lead.

The goal came in the 26th minute when Lions striker Calvin Daunt rose above Croatia goalkeeper Steve Watson to head home a cross from Steve Jackson, who in addition to being outstanding in defence made several dangerous breaks down the flank.

The youngster never was beaten and looks a certainty to play for Queensland against New South Wales later this month.

Daunt's goal brought his tally to three in two games after his doubler in the replayed derby against Brisbane City last Wednesday.

Lions could have had several more goals in the first half but for some brilliant goalkeeping from Watson and an unsuccessful penalty appeal

**Blacktown 4  
Makedonia 1**

**Scores:** Eaton 70', 80', 86', Larkin 73, Cole pen. 87  
**Venue:** Gabbie Stadium  
**Referee:** Tim Davies 3

Experienced striker Clive Eaton, signed from Kuringai only two days prior to the match against Preston Makedonia, made a dream debut by scoring three goals to spearhead Blacktown to yet another four-goal, Demon orgy at the Gabbie.

Eaton took a long time to get on the scoring sheet, but once there, the old hat-trick master was at his menacing

**Man of the Match:**  
**ROBERT WHEATLEY**  
(Blacktown)

best. During last season in the NSW State League, Eaton notched three hat-tricks and it will be no surprise if he does it again in the NSL.

His first goal in Blacktown colours came with 20 minutes to go. Tony Rasmussen made a good run on the left flank before slipping his pass to John Larkin. A cross by Larkin and a header by Eaton was the penalty spot after Chris Dunleavy dumped Con Opasins.

## Melita unbeaten in six matches

**Mel. Eagles 2  
J.U.S.T. 1**

**Venue:** Melita Stadium, South Granville.  
**Scores:** Hazabent (OG) 5th; Hazabent 20th; Kyriakoulas 81st.  
**Cautions:** Davis (JUST).  
**Referee:** Doug Rennie 9

Melita Eagles stretched their unbeaten run to six games when they accounted for a somewhat uninspiring Footscray JUST.

This win enables Melita to join APIA at the top of the Australian Conference and who would have been bold enough to predict such an achievement by this team?

The man most responsible for their immediate success was midfielder Alex Jamieson, playing in place of injured Ray Farrugia. Alex worked non stop in attack and defence, scored a goal and was the driving force and inspiration to his team.

It was an unhappy return for Cedo Kirkovich, now back in charge of the unpredictable Yugoslav team after an absence of two years.

His side was largely responsible for giving away both goals.

With only five minutes gone, Melitas Don Allan was involved in a chase for the ball when two JUST defenders in an attempted tackle, one of

the outstretched legs managed to steer the ball past goalkeeper Lou Tsigris into the far corner.

There was much contention about who had scored, but referee Doug Rennie, who was always in control, was on the spot and ruled an own goal by fullback Igor Hazabent.

Then, in the 20th minute, winger Stuart Johnston stretched a misdirected back-pass, drew Tsigris off his line and managed to square the ball to Alex Jamieson who made no mistake in finding the net.

Melita's speed was quite devastating and JUST had to reshuffle its defence in an attempt to hold its rivals.

With 15 minutes remaining in the half, Melita inexplicably slowed the game right down which allowed the visitors to mount a few dangerous attacks.

The chief tormentor was winger Zdravko Lujic whose twisting, turning, speedy runs caused the home team's defence the most concern. Pity his teammates were seldom in support as he invariably managed to find his way around the fullback only to have no one to pass the ball to.

Nonetheless J.U.S.T.'s best chance to score was in the 36th minute when Jamie Paton's unchallenged header from six metres sailed over the bar.

Melita's second half per-

## Where did that call come from?

**Bris Lions 2  
Syd Croatia 2**

**Scores:** BL — Daunt 26th, Cairney 63rd; Syd Cro-Arnold 62nd, Boden 83rd.  
**Venue:** Richmond.  
**Referee:** Bill Monteverde 8.

A mysterious "keeper's ball" call cost Brisbane Lions a victory against Sydney Croatia at Richmond.

The call went out from someone other than Lions keeper Wayne Evans and with the Lions defence hesitating, Croatia striker Ken Boden raced in unchallenged to head home a Shane Clinch cross and give the Sydney side a 2-2 draw.

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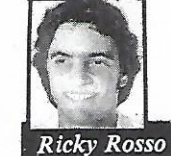
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Ricky Rosso

Lions had several other opportunities early in the second half, but were again denied by good keeping from Watson.

Croatia made the most of Watson's good work by hitting back with an equaliser in the 62nd minute.

Wally Savor, who came to life with some dazzling skills late in the game, hit a cracking shot from 30 metres that Wayne Evans dived brilliantly to block. But the rebound fell for the ever-present Graham Arnold who scuffed the ball into the net.

Lions though certainly didn't let their heads drop and within seconds had gone to the lead again. From the kick-off the ball was played long to Joe Cairney on the left wing. The former Brisbane City striker cut inside then cracked a right-foot shot which powered into the top corner of the goal giving Watson no chance.

That should have been the winning goal for Lions, but as the game wore on the home team began to lose its grip on the match. Lions' midfield could not maintain its work-rate and the defence began making silly mistakes.

Croatia coach, Atti Abonyi, sensing that Lions were tiring, put on two new players in midfielder Paul Kirwan and striker Steve Meades and the substitutions swung the match Croatia's way.

The visitors began winning a huge amount of the ball and pushed forward chasing an equaliser.

Lions brought on former Canberra and AIS player Ray Junna, a former North Queensland player. Although

Only three minutes later, the roles were reversed as Eaton did the spade work to find Michael McLaughlin and eventually the ball went to Larkin who made no mistake to make it 2-0.

With 10 minutes remaining and Makedonia in all sorts of trouble it was Larkin on the ball again to provide Eaton with the pass and the "old fox" was on the spot to chest it down before scoring.

Six minutes later Eaton was running riot looking for goal number three. He was at the end of a move which saw no less than five Blacktown players involved to score with a looping 16 metre drive.

A minute later Gary Cole managed to score from the penalty spot after Chris Dunleavy dumped Con Opasins.

And all this in just 20 minutes!

During the previous hour neither side prevailed in an even but entertaining game with very few openings at either end. Zarko Odzakovic came close for Makedonia, while Michael McLaughlin could have done better after some good spade work by Wheatley and Sandy.

Cole, kept quiet by the efficient Blacktown defence, did manage to break through once but was foiled by fine goalkeeping from Barry Hoare.

The second half was all, but for a short period, Blacktown and the score tells the story.

Robert Wheatley and Hoare again were the stars of the home side with Larkin putting up yet another fine display in front of Gary Byrne, nursing an injury, was slowed down considerably while McLaughlin is still struggling to find form.

As for the visitors, it was all systems go for a long time, then a sudden crash! Cole came off the Park shaking his head in disbelief, but he did very little to enhance his



Clive Eaton

team's performance, while Odzakovic was again the pick of Makedonia players.

## QSF v. Arok

A major feud is brewing between Queensland soccer officials and Australian and New South Wales coach Frank Arok on the eve of the interstate clash at Perry Park on April 29.

The Queensland officials, including QSF president Ian Burasco and State coach Bruce Stowell have been angered not only by the treatment the State received in the naming of the 40-man national squad, but also some of Arok's remarks afterwards.

Bursasco and Stowell openly attacked Arok for his exclusion of Brisbane City and Queensland keeper Kim Wishart, who was chosen by Arok as No. 2 to Terry Greedy for the England series last year.

Stowell, who said Wishart's exclusion was a slight on Queensland soccer, claimed Arok had not even considered the five recommendations he had sent for consideration.

But Arok returned the fire by saying two of the players in Stowell's six recommendations did not have Australian residency while another "was 32-years-old and of no use for our World Cup plans."

The remark stunned Stowell who took the line that people who live in glass houses should not throw stones.

"While I don't think age should have anything to do with selection and ability should be the only criteria, there are at least two players in Arok's squad who I know for a fact are much older than 32."

Bursasco slammed Arok for "wasting money" in calling coaches together prior to the naming for the national squad. He said the exclusion of Wishart had constituted a mockery and a sham of the whole selection process.

**RICKY ROSSO**

## Youngsters sacked

Canberra Arrows have dispensed with the services of two promising youngsters — but managed to hold onto a third.

Out are ex-AIS youngsters Ray Junna and Michael Barnett. Collins has transferred Junna for \$2000 to NSL side, Brisbane Lions. Barnett, who was particularly impressive in pre-season games, will return to his old club, Birkalla, in Adelaide.

The third youngster who might also have disappeared from the Canberra scene was Andrew Young. He's now back in the youth squad and has decided to "stick it out."

**PETER WINDSOR**

## Burke in demand

"Don't panic, stay calm — this team will do the job," was Canberra Arrows' coach, Doug Collins' appeal to fans this week after the club's mediocre start to the 1984 season.

Last week Collins bid for Wollongong's Ray Vilestra — now he's chasing 28-year-old Englishman, Peter Burke, of Newcastle.

So, too, do seven other NSL clubs, including such big spenders as Marconi and Sydney City.

In the meantime, in a bid to improve Canberra's performance, Collins wielded the axe last Sunday and dropped highly-regarded skipper Steve Bryant and scheming midfielder, Ian Gibson.

**PETER WINDSOR**

## Lacmanovic for JUST

Footscray J.U.S.T. is to be joined within two weeks by a striker from Yugoslavia.

He is Dragan Lacmanovic, 29, who has been playing on loan from Red Star Belgrade to Galenika, which was relegated at the end of the 1982-83 season.

## Kotamanidis sinks Croatia

**Wollongong 2  
Syd. Croatia 1**

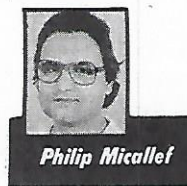
**Venue:** Dapto Showground.  
**Crowd:** 1500  
**Referee:** Loran 8  
**Cautions:** Savor (C), Hristovski (W).

It was a case of survival of the fittest as Wollongong and Sydney Croatia indulged in an exercise of balance and composure on a treacherously wet Dapto Showground pitch.

The rain never stopped beating the two sets of gallant players who must be commended for their efforts on an impossible surface.

It soon became obvious the side capable of adapting itself to the conditions would have a great chance of success.

But although Croatia seemed to find less difficulty in knocking the ball around



Philip Micallef

**Man of the Match:**  
**NELIO BORGES**  
(Syd. Croatia)

second half, tragedy struck the home side.

Midfielder Bundalo, in a rare moment of panic, misjudged his pass back to goalkeeper Vardareff and Boden was ready for the ball and shot home easily.

Wollongong, however, hit back and four minutes from the end, after missing a couple of easy chances, scored their winner.

Substitute Kotamanidis who had been on the field for only nine minutes, ran in well

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# KILLER INSTINCT ABSENT

Man of  
the Match:  
**DEZ MARTON**  
(St George)

By  
**FRANK  
PANGALLO**

**St George 1  
Ad. C. Juve 0**

Venue: Olympic Sports  
Field  
Score: Ratcliffe (St Geo) 36  
min

The Saints were always  
coasting while Juve  
struggled desperately to  
try to shackle Saints play-  
makers and destroyers.

Dez Marton, Robbie Slater  
and Peter Petkovski turned  
the Juve defence inside out.

The striking trio had acres  
of room up front. Their domi-  
nance wasn't reflected on the  
scoreboard so no doubt coach  
Frank Arok wouldn't have  
been too happy with the one  
goal scored by defender  
David Ratcliffe after 36 min-  
utes.

Marton, Slater and Pet-  
kovski constantly switched  
across the front line, confusing  
the Juve defenders.

Young Juve full back Joe  
Cecere probably had a sore  
neck after the game, such  
were the many occasions he  
had to turn around to see  
where Marton was. Marton  
gave a superb display of run-  
ning off the ball and into open  
space, not to mention the de-  
cidedly superior exchanges with  
his team mates.

Petkovski did the same to  
Juve's other inexperienced de-  
fender Paul Shillabeer, who  
failed to mark his opponent ef-  
fectively.

Coach Edmund Kreft took  
some time to make vital  
moves in defence. But when  
they did come late in the  
second half, it was far too late.

And while Juve did send one  
or two scares through the St  
George camp late in the sec-  
ond, generally its strikers  
made no impression.

Even Joe Mullen, the only  
South Australian in Arok's  
national squad of 40, couldn't  
justify his selection.

In this match, St George had  
the weaponry but not the killer  
instinct. It should have killed  
off Juve much earlier and in a  
more emphatic way.

As for Juve's disillusioned  
supporters, they went home  
wondering whether it was all  
worth the \$5.

The local gallery — and no  
doubt the supporters who  
faithfully turned up — had  
tried to fathom the NSL's rea-  
soning for the extra charge.

They were naturally angry.  
After all, there was no prior  
warning. In fact, Juve officials  
learned about it only on the  
Friday before the game!

Considering the standard of  
the national competition in  
recent seasons, there's no way  
even \$4 represents value for  
money — regardless of what  
the officials may tell you!

# Danny Wright drops out!

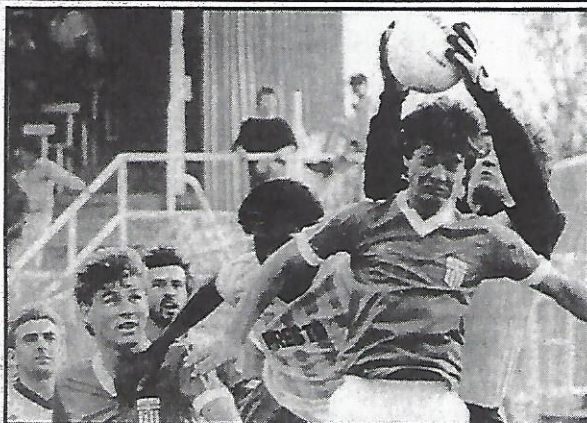
By RICKY ROSSO

**Brisb City 0  
Brisb Lions 2**

Score: Daunt 45th, 87th.  
Venue: Perry Park  
Referee: Alan Kibbler 8.

This 2-0 win stretched  
Lions' unbeaten run  
against City to five games,  
but the Richlands side lost  
Socceroo squad member  
Danny Wright, who was  
carried off with a serious  
ankle injury.

Wright tore ligaments when  
he fell awkwardly after a  
tackle and is expected to be  
sidelined for up to two weeks.



Hellas goalkeeper Peter Laumets saves at Middle Park, as team mate John Kanousoulis tries to head clear. Others, from left: John Kosmina (SC-Hakoah), Steve Blair, Murray Barnes, Gerardo Gomez.

# I owe Bill my life'

From page one

Davidson said he had  
been hit on the side of the  
neck, but he did not know  
by whom. Apparently the  
blow momentarily stopped  
the flow of blood to his  
brain, and caused him to  
lose consciousness.

Doctors attended to David-  
son on the pitch and play was  
held up for five minutes before  
he was taken off on a stretcher  
and then rushed to hospital by  
ambulance.

He had X-rays and will stay  
in hospital until tomorrow  
(Thursday).

Doctors have told him not to  
play for at least two weeks,  
but he should be OK for  
Australia's international  
series in May-June.

Davidson had been starting  
for Hellas as sweeper against  
Hakoah, as he had the previous  
week against Juventus, before  
coming off and being replaced  
by Angelo Postecoglou.

Chris Kalifatidis moved to  
the sweeper's position, and  
Postecoglou filled in for Ka-  
lifatis as left back.

There were to be other  
changes later — Con Kiakos  
coming on for Paul Lewis in  
the 65th minute when Hellas  
decided that a draw would be

good enough, and Graeme  
Fletcher and Jen-Paul de Ma-  
rigny replacing Grant Lee and  
Willie Murray for Hakoah.

Joe Watson was busy as a  
bee as usual in midfield, but  
the player who caught my eye  
most often is Hellas stopper  
Steve Blair, who dominated a  
difficult opponent, John Kos-  
mina.

Bobby Russell and Chris  
Kalifatidis, as well as goalkeep-  
er Peter Laumets, also  
played extremely well in Hel-  
las's defence and at the other  
end, Jim Cant and Alex Rob-  
ertson starred for Hakoah.

Doug Brown was the best of  
the forwards. Not only did he  
create a few promising moves,  
he was also on his own goal  
line to stop a shot from Ha-  
koah's Willie Murray in the  
60th minute.

Hellas's best chance fell to  
Carl Halford, back in the team  
after being persuaded by a  
higher financial offer to sign a  
new two-year contract.

Paul Lewis headed down  
Ken Murphy's cross, but Half-  
ord's volley was saved by Tony  
Pezzano who had little else to  
do for the rest of the match.

But it was due only to  
Laumets that Hakoah filed to

take the lead in the 54th min-  
ute. Brown had lost the ball  
and Willie Murray was dashing  
through on his own, but  
Laumets raced 15 metres out-  
side his penalty area to boot  
the ball away from Murray  
before the forward could do  
any damage.

Hellas played without in-  
jured stars John Yzendoorn  
and Oscar Crino, while Hakoah  
had John Kosmina and Ge-  
rardo Gomez back after sus-  
pension.

Hellas won the youth match  
4-1 against bottom-placed Mor-  
well Falcons, with two goals  
by Theo Mitsou and one each  
by Manny Anezakis and Greg  
Kassidas. Morwell's goal  
came from a penalty con-  
verted by Wilson.

Ratings:  
HELLAS: Turudis 6 (Akri-  
kidis 6, half time) — Kassidas  
7, Anezakis 8, Moshopoulos 6,  
Vardakis 8 — Pasakos 7, Kas-  
meris 8 (Kakavas 75th),  
Abramo 7, Koloderos 7 —  
Mitsou 7, Karipidis 6 (Kolivas  
61st).

MORWELL FALCONS:  
Prezioso 6 (Eacott 83rd) — Pa-  
lermo 6 (sent off, 49th), P-  
vacca 6, Wilson 9, Constable 6  
(Padulla 55th) — Lee 5, Bez-  
zina 6, Ostak 5, Baldacchino 4  
(C. Vacca 66th) — Kazimierz  
7, Stewart 6.

# PENRITH HANGS ON

**Penrith 2  
Brisb. City 0**

Score: Hale 15th and 56th  
Venue: Cook Park  
Referee: Richard Lorenz 8  
If there was any luck  
going, it belonged to host  
team Penrith. City which  
managed a few narrow  
escapes in the closing  
stages of a match which it  
had under control for at  
least the first hour.

A goal in each half from 18-  
year-old local boy David Hale  
was the difference between  
the sides.

There was a noticeable  
lack of penetration from the  
whistle of Richard Lorenz and  
the game flowed smoothly,  
with action at both ends  
throughout.

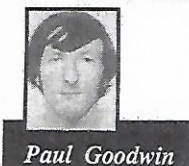
Penrith went about its busi-  
ness methodically with Ian  
Hunter in a determined mood  
and looking the part more than  
in recent matches. He was  
always looking for openings  
and gave the Brisbane City  
defence a few headaches.

Hunter made a great run in  
the 19th minute, found Brian  
Jackson free and the former  
Macclesfield striker put  
through a long ball to the far  
post where David Hale was on  
hand to turn nicely into the  
net.

But despite the loss of  
Wright, Lions gave a brilliant  
display of commitment that  
had City back-peddling the  
entire game. In fact one  
stage City passed the ball con-  
tinually along its backline,  
devoid of ideas or opportu-  
nities to go forward as Lions  
relentlessly shut down every  
opening.

And a new star emerged to  
take over from Wright.

Big Calvin Daunt, the brunt  
of many critics' sharp tongues



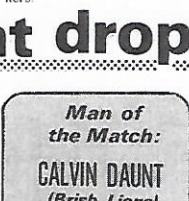
Paul Goodwin

Brisbane's only real danger  
man up front, Gary Bromfield,  
despite being on the losing  
side, made the biggest contri-  
bution to the game with his  
tireless running and steady  
stream of crosses.

Brisbane City appeared to  
have the situation under con-  
trol with both Wilkinson and  
Liddell taking care of most of  
the middle territory.

But Penrith was able to go  
two up in the 56th minute  
when a low cross from Brian  
Jackson was met by Hale whose  
weak shot looked like going  
wide but instead, to the sur-  
prise of most, hit the inside of  
the post and trickled over the  
line.

Brisbane marched steadily  
towards the Penrith goal in the  
closing stages as the home  
side lost the services of both  
Jackson and Hale and the vis-  
itors brought on two extra stri-  
kers.



Man of  
the Match:  
**CALVIN DAUNT**  
(Brisb Lions)

Daunt was a man possessed  
and ran confidently at the City  
defence, firing not only dan-  
gerous shots but spraying per-  
fect passes to his team mates.

Daunt's first goal was one of  
the best scored in Brisbane  
this season.



Man of  
the Match:  
**GARY BROMFIELD**  
(Brisbane City)

Substitute Mengotti tested  
Freeman with a strong shot  
after 70 minutes and Brom-  
field was unlucky to hit the  
side netting with his own ef-  
fort.

Frank Liddell came up for  
every cross and corner and his  
header in the 74th minute hit  
the crossbar.

Attempts by Cotton and the  
never tiring Waterspoon kept  
Penrith in the picture, but it  
was only the trusty left boot of  
Mickey Cross which stood be-  
tween Gary Bromfield and a  
deserved goal in the final  
seconds of injury time. The  
shot was hit firmly enough, but  
Cross was able to get back in  
time to boot off the line.

Neither side produced any-  
thing really special. Wat-  
erspoon continues to show en-  
terprise, while Daley and  
McIntosh have the defence  
well marshalled.

The visitors with a little  
more luck could have shared  
the points.

# Lowie nets three, McGorian hurt, Richardson off

**Marconi 6  
Geo Cross 1**

Scorers: McCulloch 9', 74',  
Lowie 34', 42', 89' pen, Jan-  
kovics 85' (M), McLaren 68'  
(GC).

Venue: Marconi Stadium  
Cautions: McLaren, Norrie  
(GC), Mason (M).

Sent off: Richardson 89'

Referee: Jim Reeves 7  
Marconi celebrated its  
second win of the season,  
at the expense of lack-  
lustre George Cross, to  
give those 743 hardened  
Marconi supporters some-  
thing to talk about.

David Lowe bagged three,  
Tommy McCulloch two and  
Mark Jankovics one in a  
match which Marconi could  
have won by a cricket score.  
In fact had Marconi pushed just  
& little harder and had its stri-  
kers scored from the chances  
created, Marconi could have  
"declared" at half time,  
giving George Cross no chance  
of overhauling the score.

George Cross came in with  
the intent of stopping Marconi,  
rather than winning points.  
With four at the back and four  
across the middle and only  
McGorian and Latif up front,  
the game was destined to be  
played inside the visitors' half  
of the field. The spate of late  
tackles which went on in the  
opening minutes failed to help  
George Cross.

Norrie Pate received a  
yellow card for a late tackle on  
Mariani early, then McLaren  
dropped Rod Brown after nine  
minutes.

A free kick by Mariani, a  
nudge to McCulloch and a  
blistering left-footer was de-  
flected Past Conti for Mar-  
coni's first goal.

From then on it was one-  
way traffic, with Craig Mason,  
Marconi's new acquisition  
from Newcastle KB, directing  
traffic with enormous help



David Lowe

from an ever-alert Tommy  
McCulloch.

Marconi's inept finishing  
saw three great goal-scoring  
chances go begging before  
David Lowe made it 2-0.

First it was Mariani who  
seemed to lose control with the  
goal at his mercy, then Rod  
Brown missed two easy  
chances in quick succession.

However, with 11 minutes to  
go in the first half, it was  
Peter Sharpe, back at his  
speedy best, who deceived a  
defender before pushing a low  
ball to David Lowe to crash  
one home on the turn.

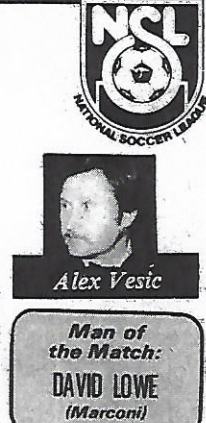
Mick McGorian was carried  
off the field after a clash with  
Steve Calderan and Carl  
Gilder came on for George  
Cross. It was an unfortunate  
incident, which resulted in a  
strained ligament, and not  
broken leg as feared at first.

Seconds after resumption  
Marconi assumed a winning  
lead with a superb goal by  
Lowe.

Craig Mason to McCulloch  
to Lowe and a great shot from  
just inside the areas gave Con-  
tini no chance.

George Cross made a spiri-  
ted comeback after the interval  
but despite McLaren's fine  
header from a corner by Latif  
which gave 'Cross its only  
goal, it was only a matter of  
time before Marconi would  
score again.

A throw-in from Sharn and a  
quick flick pass by Brown put  
McCulloch on the run home.



Alex Vesic

Man of  
the Match:  
**DAVID LOWE**  
(Marconi)

His shot from an angle and  
some 14 metres away was one  
of the best seen at Marconi  
Stadium. Then, with five  
minutes remaining McCulloch  
was in the thick of things  
again, providing Mark Janko-  
vics with an opportunity to  
make it 5-1.

Dispirited George Cross  
made yet another blunder in  
the closing stages, with Steve  
Richardson fouling McCulloch  
behind play inside his own pen-  
alty area and after con-  
sultation with the linesman,  
Jim Reeves awarded Marconi  
a penalty and sent Richardson  
of the park.

The penalty was converted  
by Lowe to make it 6-1.

It was a heart-warming per-  
formance by Marconi and  
most of the credit must go to  
Mason, McCulloch and Lowe,  
while the rest did what was re-  
quired to subdue the below-  
par George Cross. Particu-  
larly pleasing was the per-  
formance of Ricky Shabini at left  
back, while up front Sharpe is  
fast approaching his peak. The  
notable appearance of Jankovics  
showed just how valuable this  
player is to Marconi.

He struck with five minutes  
to go but almost had his first  
with his first touch of the ball.  
His fierce drive from an angle  
grazed the upright with Con-  
tini well beaten.

It is a welcome return to the  
winning circle for an out-  
look Les Scheinfeld. He will  
now find himself with the  
happy poser — who to, leave  
out with so many good players  
on the side-line, ready to come  
back, particularly Jankovics.

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### Miranda has a point to prove

Richard Miranda is out to prove a few people at Preston Makedonia wrong.

"I didn't really get a fair go there," said the 21 year old midfielder, bought by Juventus from Box Hill earlier this year.

"If I establish myself as a NSL player, I think I will have proven a point to a few people."

Juve's early season success hasn't come as a surprise to the South African.

"I'm not a bit surprised. We've got good players at the club. We're getting to know each other and once we get our full squad available we'll be even stronger. Joe Sweeney, Fab Incantalupo, Paul Drinoczky and Vince Bannon all have to come back. That's going to put tremendous pressure on each player to perform well. It's also going to add to the competitiveness at training."

"You need 11 good players to win a game but to win a championship you need a good squad of about 16 or 17."

"Commitment is vitally important. I heard people say after we beat South Melbourne Hellas that the Juventus players wanted to win more than the Hellas players did."



Richard Miranda (centre) about to tackle Charlie Egan of South Melbourne Hellas.

There might be some truth in that. I believe that if we can go out each week totally committed, then with the lot of natural ability in the side, we'll be up there at the end of the season."

No-one can doubt Miranda's commitment. Box Hill coach Bill Murray knows that.

"I used to get deputations from players at training asking me to instruct Richard to stop going in so hard for the ball," said Murray.

Miranda is a fierce competitor. But his game isn't just about winning the ball in midfield. He also has fine disposal and can be deadly from free kicks.

"I'm an aggressive player. I think every player should be. But I always go for the ball. I've never gone over the ball when tackling. In fact, there's no way that I ever could do that. It's simply not in my make-up. But I always was taught that if you go into a tackle in a half-hearted fashion then you run the risk of getting hurt."

Miranda played with Wits University in South Africa. He tried with English club Charlton as a teenager and was offered a contract. But, as Alan Davidson and George Christopoulos found out, get-

ting a work permit in Britain is no easy matter. When Miranda couldn't get a work permit, he gave up all hope of making it in England and took up Preston Makedonia's offer. That was midway through the 1981 season.

Miranda switched to Box Hill early last year for a \$4,000 transfer fee. He was one of the outstanding midfielders in the Victorian State League last season but he wanted to further his career and jumped at the chance to join Juventus and have a second stab at NSL soccer.

"Box Hill's a great club with a tremendous administration. When they get into the National League they'll do very well. Their coaching staff is first rate."

Miranda didn't set the world on fire during his early games with Juventus in the Buffalo Gold Summer Cup. Perhaps the key to his early form was that coach John Margaritis, battling to overcome injuries, used Miranda in defence.

"I prefer to play in midfield but honestly speaking, I'll play anywhere in a winning team. I'll even go into goals, if John Margaritis asks me."

But after Miranda's recent performances, there's little chance of that happening. Margaritis will be hoping that Miranda continues to propel the black and whites out of midfield.

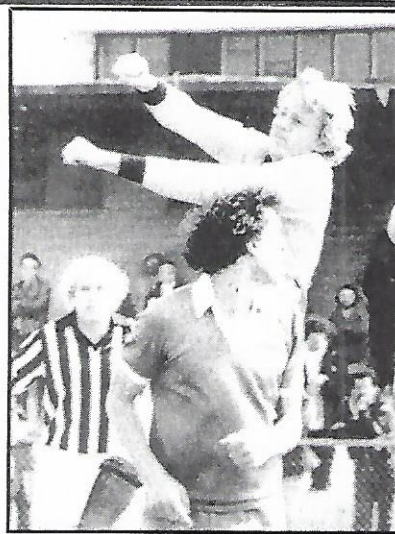
### Dowie's all class

John Dowie, 28, belongs to a rare breed of players currently playing in the National League.

Dowie was the Fulham substitute in the 1975 English F.A. Cup final won 2-0 by West Ham. He also played in the Glasgow Celtic side that went down 2-1 to arch rival Glasgow Rangers in the 1978 Scottish League Cup final.

Few British players in Australian soccer can boast such an impressive pedigree. And Dowie's class has shown so far for Juventus, making the club's \$7,000 outlay, in order to sign him from Doveton this year, seem a mere pittance.

Don't be fooled by his slim build. Dowie also is a fierce tackler and a good ball winner. Doveton fans know this. It was Dowie who played a vital part in Doveton's successful bid to avoid relegation from the Victorian State League in 1982. He arrived from Scotland in time to play in the last seven league games of that season and immediately won many admirers.



Sean Keogh shows his agility in rising high to punch the ball clear.

### Keogh best

"We'll definitely finish in the top old Sean Keogh. The Juventus goalkeeper, brother coach John Margaritis this year terminated to establish himself in the grab the No. 1 goalkeeping spot in team."

"I think that other keepers would be ahead of me for this coming interest in NSW, had they been available. show people what I can do."

"It's in my own hands." Keogh has played for Victoria at levels. He first was picked in the current South Melbourne Hellas co. for a game against New Zealand last.

Keogh sat on the bench throughout. Keogh was born in England. He when he was three and his first club vale City, in the Victorian Metro Le months with South Melbourne He before joining Croydon for a two ye.

"Croydon was a great club social well there but I found it hard to get cause Mick Edwards (now with Nor a lot more experienced than me. At many clubs around who are willing t keeper a go."

Keogh joined Doveton early in

## JUVE Margaritis foxes, can bl

### Ward—a walking disaster

Gary Ward is Juve's most accomplished NSL scorer. He had 30 NSL and National Cup goals to his name before last Sunday's clash with

Newcastle Rosebud United.

He scored 26 goals for Makedonia in 1980, as that club won the Victorian State League championship, and was signed by Juventus this year.

Ward and Juve fans no doubt are hoping that the talented striker's injury jinx has ended. Ward, 27, has had to recover from a broken skin, broken ankle, two broken noses, two cartilages, a slipped disc and three shoulder dislocations during his playing career.

Ward joined English club Crewe Alexandra as a 16-year-old. He was there for two years then joined Vancouver Whitecaps in the North American Soccer League.

After APLA Lechhardt failed to sign Ward, Makedonia stepped in and he was wearing its colors in the 1979 season. He came on as a half time substitute in his first game for Makedonia and scored two goals.

That's the name of Ward's game — goals. Juve fans are finding that out.



Gary Ward

### Verduci, Manenti, Schiavello

Vincent Verduci is president of Brunswick Juventus and heads an 12-man board of directors.

Sam Manenti is vice-president and immediate past president; Tony Schiavello is vice-president; Michael Mattaccio is secretary; Attilio Costanzo is treasurer; Vince Larosa is assistant treasurer; Domenic Denuta is social director; Joe Caruso is team manager; and Rocky Porcino is social director.

Other directors are Jim Cerantonio, Frank Todisco and Frank Trimboli.



Juventus, back row: Eddie Campbell, Kevin Swinscoe, Sam Greco, Sean Keogh, Harry Hird, Richard Miranda, Mascot, Robert Cullen, Andrew Zinni, Billy Rogers, mascot, Frank Geramia, Kevin Lloyd, John Dowie. Missing: cantalupo, Vince Bannon, Paul Drinoczky, Joe Sweeney.

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He made his

State League debut there after a couple of games that season.

"I'll never forget my first game for Doveton. I had a shocker. I let in four goals in the first half against Green Gully Ajax and was taken off at half time.

But Keogh fought back, eventually becoming the No. 1 keeper with the Doves.

He was selected in "Soccer Action's" 1983 State League Team of the Year. His 18 votes placed him seven ahead of his nearest challenger.

The lure of NSL soccer proved too much for Keogh this year.

"Even if I wasn't a regular at Juventus, I knew the time must eventually come when I would get my chance and I knew that I'd have to take it."

However, Gary Clayton's departure from Juve made Keogh's task easier.

"But I can't afford to relax for a minute. Any day now, Juventus could get George Martin's clearance from Romania fixed up and if I have a bad game, then George will be in goal."

Keogh's reflexes and disposal by hand are the strongest features of his game. He wants to improve in the air and would like to be more consistent with goalkeeping. He also thinks that he should call earlier to his fellow defenders.

Most experts consider that goalkeepers peak between the ages of 30 and 35. That means that Keogh has a lot of time left in which to achieve his goals.



Joe Sweeney

## SWEENEY BACK IN ACTION THIS WEEK?

Joe Sweeney is expected to return from Scotland this week.

The Juventus striker has been back in his native Scotland for family reasons for the past few weeks.

Sweeney, 26, joined Juventus this year from State League club Croydon for \$8,000.

He's a former Crystal Palace schoolboy. He played for Tenants, an amateur club in Scotland after leaving Palace and from there he joined Pollok, where his scoring feats alongside current Falkirk coach Gus Macleod are legend.

Sweeney then switched to Patrick Thistle, then to Clydebank. He had stints in Sweden and America before rejoining Pollok then finally coming to Croydon last year. He played for Fort Lauderdale Strikers while in the U.S.

With the exception of his short stay at Croydon, Sweeney has been leading scorer with every club he's played for. No doubt, Juve fans will be hoping that he maintains his great scoring record this season.



Pat Della Rocca



Frank Barbazza

## Six past stars won top awards

Many great players proudly have worn the black and white colors of Brunswick Juventus since the club's foundation in 1948.

Juve has had countless Victorian representatives and quite a few Socceroos, including Jack Reilly, Tommy McColl, Billy Vojtek and Sandy Irvine as well as present day players Billy Rogers and Fabio Incantalupo.

And six of Juve's finest have won league best and fairest awards — Mario Busidoni, George Scott, Vojtek, Mick Watkins, Bobby McGuinness and Vince Bannon.

Busidoni and Scott won the Argus Medal in 1955 and 1965 respectively. The Bill Fleming Medal was won by Vojtek in 1975 and by Watkins in 1977. McGuinness won the Rothmans Medal in 1980 and Vince Bannon won it in 1982.

One of the greats of Juve's early era was captain Reno Carollo. Pepe Cubero was a superstar with Juve in the 1950's.

Other Juventus greats over the years include Sergio Bassi, Enzo Costa, Vida Kassai, Giuseppe Sabidussi, Frank Barbazza, Rocky Frangioni, Geoff Tumblyn, Mario Corti, Dino De Marchi, George Kinnell, Jock Goodwin, Bobby Thomson and Pat Della Rocca.



Dino De Marchi



Mario Corti

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1953 — First Division champion	1966 — Armstrong Cup winner
1954 — First Division champion	1969 — State League champion
1955 — First Division champion, Armstrong Cup winner	1970 — State League champion, Dockerty Cup winner, State League Cup winner
1956 — First Division champion	1971 — Dockerty Cup winner
	1972 — Dockerty Cup winner
	1977 — Dockerty Cup winner

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## Black and whites win title?

Brunswick Juventus coach John Margaritis keeps reinforcing his tag as "The Old Fox".

Will Juventus win the championship this year, John?

"Look, don't talk to me about championships. How can I possibly predict anything like that? Who knows?"

"I hadn't planned to win the title this year. Just let's say that we're ahead of schedule right now."

"But make no mistake about this. We are a good National League team."

Margaritis was one of the finest players ever to come to Australia. He played for PAOK Salonika in his native Greece before joining South Melbourne Hellas in the 1960's.

Margaritis was player-coach of Heidelberg Alexander in 1968 and 1969 and embarked upon a professional coaching career in 1974 when he was appointed coach of South Melbourne Hellas. Margaritis also has coached West Adelaide Hellas. He joined Juventus for the start of the 1983 season, guiding the club to a third placed finish in the Victorian State League. And he recently was appointed as assistant to national coach Frank Arok, further enhancing Margaritis' reputation as a shrewd judge of playing talent.

"At the end of last season I thought that about six of our players were definite National League material. I knew that to do well, we had to buy."

Joe Sweeney, Sean Keogh, Gary Ward, Richard Miranda and John Dowie joined the club earlier this year and last Friday, ex-Park Thistle player, 22 year old Eddie Campbell, flew in from Scotland.

In the Buffalo Gold Summer Cup, I was forced to play players out of position. Even then, I wasn't happy with some of the new players but I knew their qualities

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

and I knew that they would eventually do well for us. It's just a matter of getting the right blend. That takes time.

"Ward and Sweeney didn't look sharp during the Buffalo Gold Summer Cup. But they're a lot sharper now. Anyway, I covered that situation by using the speed and mobility of Andrew Zinni and Rob Cullen out wide. Cullen is a very, very fit and aggressive player. No other player could do the job I want Cullen to do. Actually, I ask a bit too much from him, but I know how big this player's heart is. He is one of the most professional and honest players I have come across."

"I never had any doubts about Billy Rogers doing well as a stopper. Billy has given me so much over the years. In fact, I owe a lot to him throughout my coaching career. Australian soccer should pay tribute to this man who has given so much to the game in this country."

Perhaps Margaritis' master stroke has been the switch of John Dowie to sweeper. Bought as a class midfielder from Doveton, Dowie has revelled in his sweeper's role.

"I didn't think that Dowie would enjoy playing sweeper to be honest. But when he played there against Heidelberg in a friendly which we won 3-0, I saw just how right he was for the position. Dowie is a complete professional. His technique and intelligence is unmatched in Australian soccer and he has a huge future here as a sweeper."

Margaritis heaps even greater praise upon midfielder Miranda.

"He shines like a diamond. He's learning every day and if he can be consistent and continues to develop, he'll play for Australia."

Kevin Swinscoe, who was rumored to be

leaving Juventus earlier this year, is another who has pleased Margaritis.

"Kevin thought that if we had our full squad available, he wouldn't get a regular game. But he's been given the chance to play and he's done very, very well for us. He's a brilliant character and has a first class professional attitude."

At the start of the season, Margaritis had three goalkeepers all vying for the number one spot in his team. One of them, George Martin, still is waiting on a clearance from Romania. Another, Gary Clayton, is up for transfer. Keogh at present is the number one choice.

"Keogh is good. He's young but already he has played for Victoria. George Martin also is good. I had to make my mind up between Gary and George and I thought that George was the better goalkeeper."

"Young Frank Geramia has done a great job during Vince Bannon's absence through injury. He's an absolutely great character. He's a real devil during a game but he's very quiet off the park. He's a very dedicated kid and he's proven himself recently."

"Harry Hird does a lot more than people give him credit for. He's very skilful and he puts a lot of class into our team. He's a natural at left back."

"Andrew Zinni will score goals for Juventus. I know this. To be honest, I wasn't exactly happy with him earlier this year but he's doing well now and I just know that he can do even better. He's a top player. His skills are brilliant, he's smart and he's full of confidence."

Margaritis too is confident. You just have to dig deep to find it if you are a journalist. It's not that the man isn't approachable. Quite the opposite. It's just that he plays it close to his heart.

Maybe he'll open up at about 5 pm on Sunday, October 7. That's the date of the last NSL round for 1984. And what a story he'll have to tell if Brunswick Juventus wins the championship of the National Conference!

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# Kuringai is up in arms

It is not often that a side loses by four goals and then sends in a complaint about the refereeing, but that is exactly what happened following Kuringai's 2-6 loss to Inter Monaro in Canberra last weekend.

In fact, this is not the first time that a side has come back from Monaro claiming that poor refereeing has marred the match.

Kuringai intends to file a report on the referee.

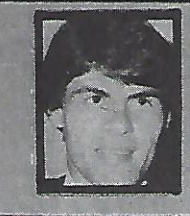
"Not that the result might

have been a lot different had the referee been better, but it leaves visitors like Kuringai with a sour taste after having led 2-0 and 2-1 to lose a player and then battle with 10 players against 11. "We were out-clashed but only after we got

outnumbered and all because of an error by the referee," said a disgruntled Kuringai official.

In the first round, Auburn suggested that the refereeing in Canberra left a lot to be desired.

## NSW State League with ALEX VESIC



### Bankstown 4 Polonia 0

Scorers: Dolan, El Hosseini, Hassan 2.

**BANKSTOWN NATIONAL:** Giffin, Kennedy, Moorhead, Agostino, Coates, Dolan, Parker, Blackburn, Hennes (Hassan 65'), El Hosseini, Hasnic (Blackwell 50').

**POLANIA:** Butler, Colusso (Lordan), Hanafi, Vanderberg, Gas, Fogarty, Garlowski, Kowalczyk, Thomas (Pratt), Lumsdale, Sobczyk.

For all but the opening half hour, Bankstown held the upper hand and looked the likely winner. Polonia held on for the first half hour, employing its offside trap for those fast running Bankstown forwards, but once Phil Dolan made it 1-0 it was all downhill for Bankstown National.

It was Hennes who made the opening for the first goal and his chip found Phil Dolan close to goal. Ian Barker made a valiant attempt but to no avail.

With two minutes remaining Dolan was involved in a move with Hasnic which provided El Hosseini with an opening. He ran around the keeper then tapped it into the net for Bankstown's second.

Despite Bankstown's territorial advantage, goals did not come again till very late in the match. With only six minutes to play El Hosseini accepted a pass from Agostino to run past a couple of players before providing Peter Hassan with an opportunity to beat Barker from 18 metres with a well measured drive.

With seconds ticking out, Peter Hassan picked up a pass in midfield then stroled through Polonia's defence before scoring his second goal and Bankstown's fourth.

Last year's wooden spooner certainly is not going to be anywhere near that spot this year and the impression given so far indicates a strong possibility of National getting into the top five, maybe even the top four. Its crowd support certainly has improved and its soccer on the Park is pleasing to say the least.

### Aub Uruguay 2 Avala 1

Scorers: Bateman 1 (Avala); O'Shane 2 (Aub.U.).

**AVALA:** Thurlow, Lucchessi, D. McKenna, Bartolo, C. McKenna, Burrows (Nitya 12'), Kodor, Williams, Rodriguez (27' J. Fernandez), Bateman, Alfie.

**AUBURN:** Rosano, Kelly, Geekie, Watt, Planinic, Jones, Carney, Akoutas (62' BObanic), Townson, Knight, O'Shane.

Avala left Knight Park a little worse for wear but certainly flattered by the result. Auburn led by two goals and looked set to tear its opponent apart.

Then came an error by Rosano and Bateman collected the softest of goals to give Avala a chance of snatching a draw. For a while Avala came forward and looked as if it might just do that, but within 10 minutes Auburn had assumed command again.

It could have been so different had Richie Williams scored from the penalty spot in the 17th. Bateman was pulled down by Rosano inside the area and Williams, purchased from Melita during the week, took the spot kick. He failed to find the target and Avala was punished for it.

Only 10 minutes later, Carney's corner from the right hand side found Planinic above everyone to head against the crossbar, but Tony O'Shane picked up the rebound to head it back into the net.

After 50 minutes O'Shane was on the mark again. Stephen Knight, Auburn's star player on the day, took the free kick well outside the area. His chip found Chris Townson. His header followed and O'Shane was on the spot to hammer it home.

Steve Knight, Craig Jones and Tony O'Shane had outstanding games for the winners while young Lucchessi was Avala's best.

### Canterbury1 Warr. Narabene 0

Scorers: Joannides 40'.

**CANTERBURY:** Ezzell, Karispi-

Hantz, Anagnostopoulos, Antonopoulos, Flenakis, Petas, Phillips, Joannides.

**WARRINGAH:** P. Dean, Sarge, Collins, Yennie, Hiscok, Henley (MacLachlan), Sandford (McDonnell), Taylor, Bullock, Rimmer, A. Dean.

Canterbury continued to show good form and outplayed Warringah at Arlington to keep in third place on the League ladder but for coach John Xipolitis there is still a long way to go before Canterbury can be recognised as a real title challenger.

John Petas missed on four occasions when it was easier to score. In the end goal five minutes from half time by Joannides decided the issue.

Canterbury's star striker Louis Dounis was missing from the line-up. He was sadly missed.

### Manly Warr 1 Sutherland 1

Scorers: Leak (M), Webber (S).

**MANLY:** Cassetti, Pagano, S. Dick, J. Dick, Doyle, Jones, Stevens, P. Falconer, Holloway, Leak (McLachlan), Webber, Rogers.

**SUTHERLAND:** Dart, Hasford, Terry, Schumann, Dafforno, Harrington (Grey), Johnston, Stodart, Groome, Webster, Rogers.

In a very competitive, entertaining match at Cromer Park the two sides shared the spoils and you couldn't find anyone that would claim about the result.

In fact the game provided the best spectacle seen for some time and if goals did not come it largely was due to some great goalkeeping by both goal tenders, Cassetti and Dart.

For Sutherland supporters it was time to sing: "We have an Australian keeper in the making." As Dart flung himself across goal to produce some brilliant saves.

Following in the footsteps of Alan Maher (later Marconi) and the national team, and Mal Haynes, this young keeper has certainly left his mark in the opening rounds of the State League.

In its quest for a place in the NSL, Sutherland has unearthed a young striker from Bondi and he was given a run during the second period in place of Harrington. Grey should prove an asset to Sutherland.

As for the home side, well, a goal behind at half time and with some problems to sort out, it came out fighting and did get on top which resulted in a goal by Steve Leak, which in the end did satisfy those in the know at Manly.

### Rock Ilinden 1 Yugal 0

Scorers: Risteovski.

**ROCKDALE:** Polkas, Butcher, Pilevski, Wilson, Slesovski, Jones, Yousup, J. Jankovski, Risteovski (Smith 20'), Brown, Stamenik.

**YUGAL:** Berry, Gagic, Forester, Clarke, Gibson, Pata (Marselle 20'), Turkuklev, Tanovski, Thammides, McGrath, Zivkovic.

Rockdale Ilinden registered its first straight win, but not as convincingly as it did in the

first two rounds. In fact Yugal was a pretty willing opponent but lacked attacking polish to match its enthusiasm.

For Rockdale, Slavski took a corner kick after an hour and Risteovski headed it past Berry to make it 1-0 and that was enough to subdue Yugal.

Ilija Takac, the ex-Yugal player and presently the coach of Rockdale Ilinden, praised Yugal and suggested that a draw would have been a fair result.

Despite the fact that Rockdale had a chance to increase its lead 2-0 through Trajanovski, Yugal had its own chances through Tanovski and Thammides but failed to convert and left the field, still the only side without points this season.

"We were robbed," claimed Kuringai officials after the match at Bruce Stadium, which was won by Inter Monaro but not after a great deal of controversy.

Leaving 2-1 and doing well, Kuringai looked poised to cause an upset, but the referee sent off 20 year old David Bennett, allegedly for persistent infringement of the rules (?) and the visitors duly collapsed.

Kuringai claimed that Bennett has never been booked, let alone sent off in his career.

"Who knows what would have happened, had David stayed on the Park. But since his departure, an obvious error by the referee, we had no chance against this strong

Results of round 3: AVALA — AUBURN URUGUAY 1-2. Bateman (Av), O'Shane 2. Aub. — CANTERBURY WARRINGAH 1-0. Joannides (C), INTER MONARO — KURINGAI 6-2. Giampolo 2, Ambrosino 2, Valeri, Willot (IM), Bass, Tracey Pen. (K). MANLY — SUTHERLAND 1-1. DEN — YUGAL 1-0. Risteovski (I), Bankstown 8 Polonia 4-0, Hassan 2, El Hosseini, Dolton (P).

STANDINGS					
ROCKDALE	3	0	11	2	6
INTER MONARO	3	0	11	2	6
CANTERBURY	2	0	10	5	5
BANKSTOWN	2	0	10	5	4
Manly Warr	1	2	0	3	4
Sutherland	1	1	1	2	3
Auburn	1	0	2	3	2
Warringah	1	0	2	3	2
Polonia	1	0	2	3	2
Avala	0	2	3	9	1
Kuringai	0	1	2	5	1
Yugal	0	0	3	7	0

THIS WEEK

Saturday: Warringah v Bankstown National, Narabene Fitness Centre.

Sunday: Kuringai v Manly, Parklands Oval; Sutherland v Auburn, Seymour Shaw.

Monday: Urry v Ilinden, Mona Park; Yugal v Canterbury, Fraser Park; Polonia v Inter Monaro, Chopin Park.

Inter Monaro side," said a Kuringai official.

Kuringai shocked Inter with two goals in the opening 20 minutes.

First it was Craig Bass who converted after a good run by Neil Hunter, then came a disallowed goal by Bass in the 17th.

Only two minutes later Glen Jeffery was pulled from behind inside the area and this time the referee had no option but to award a penalty, converted by Andy Tracey.

Sebastian Giampolo pulled one back in the 28th minute then came the dismissal of Bennet.

During the second period a procession of goals followed by Giampolo making it 2-2 three minutes into the second half. Ambrosino's scorcher gave Monaro the lead after 54 minutes following a free kick by Giampolo, then Walter Valeri got onto the score sheet after a cross by Monterosso in the 71st minute.

Kuringai then missed two easy opportunities to get on the board with Jeffery and Bass combining in the 74th, then Bass again coming very close but his shot went wide.

Billy Willot headed Monaro's 11th following a corner kick from the right hand side, then with seven minutes to go came the goal of the game. Ambrosino's pfielder from all 35 metres rocketed past the keeper and broke the net at Bruce Stadium.

## Overseas results

PORTUGAL

Portuguese first division results: Salgueiros 0 Benfica 2, Setubal 1 Porto 1, Sporting 2 Estoril 1, Beiraois 3 Farense 0, Sporting 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

ROMANIA

Romanian first division results: Steaua Bucharest 1 FC Bihor Oradea 0, Sportul Studentesc 6 FC Bala Mare 2, FC Tg Mures 2 Polihistea 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

GREEK

Greek first division results: Atina 1 Egilou 1, Yennina 1 POAK 0, Larisa 3 Ethnikos 0, Olympikos 2 Kora 0, 06 3 Apollon Athens 1, Panathinaikos 0 AEK 0, Panionios 1 Iraklis 1, Panthrakikos 0 Apollon Kalamata 1.

LEADING STANDINGS

Panathinaikos — 18 8 2 43 12 44 Iraklis — 16 8 4 46 19 40 Olympikos — 18 4 6 46 28 48 Atina — 16 6 39 22 38 POAK — 11 11 6 31 27 33

BULGARIA

Bulgarian first division results: CSKA Sofia 2 Boreo 2, Levski Spartak 3 Sliven 2, 4 Lokomotiv Plovdiv 1, Trakia 2 Chavdar 1, Elur 2 Slavia 1, Belasica 1 Haskovo 0, ZSKA Spartak 1 Shumen 0, Lokomotiv Sofia 3 Chernomorets 0.

LEADING STANDINGS

Levski Spartak — 14 4 2 42 15 32 CSKA Sofia — 12 6 2 49 19 30 Boreo — 7 9 4 24 18 23 Sliven — 7 6 29 27 21 Lokomotiv Sofia — 8 4 8 28 22 20

Smelling a rat

Have you noticed the carrying on lately about the inefficiencies of the NSL, as compared with the shining record of achievements — yes, I have my tongue firmly planted in my cheek — of the ASF?

Me thinks that a section of the media has been up to this, and is not helping soccer climb out of the hole dug for it by its own amateur politicians over the years.

Besides, people who live in glass houses...

## Back at the top

Footballers' lives are full of ups and downs and none has exemplified this more than Sydney Olympic's Peter Katholos.

Unloved and unwanted by his club — and seemingly anyone else for that matter — just a few weeks ago, "Soccer Action's" favorite son has come back with a vengeance.

Not only has he forced his way back into his coach Manfred Schaefer's favor, but Kath has also caught the eye with a series of spectacular goals in recent matches.

Just proves that you can never keep a really good player down.

**KAT'S CORNER**  
with PETER KATHOLOS

## Greeks safe, Bobby tops

With Newcastle KB United folding, there has been speculation about problems facing other clubs.

It's been mentioned that Olympic has a large debt and while that's true, let me say loudly and clearly that there is no way Olympic ever will fold.

The potential of the club, as far as sponsorship and fund-raising are concerned, is immense, and there are just too many wealthy Greeks around to allow the team of the Sydney Greek community to go down the drain.

With the side playing well this year, and aiming for honors, our gate takings should be better than ever.

Besides receiving plenty of publicity in the Greek press, Olympic also has six-figure sponsorship from the Greek Variety Show on Channel 10, and therefore gets valuable exposure through television.

Also, Puma Australia believes in the potential of Olympic to such an extent that

we've got the honor of being the only side sponsored by this great sports goods company.

Fund-raising, dances, discos and barbecues should be a huge success this year, particularly since we're winning games and playing well, so I can't see any problems ahead for Olympic.

### McLachlan, top coach

I was extremely disappointed to hear that Footscray J.U.S.T. sacked its coach, Bobby McLachlan last week.

Back in 1978, Bobby was the coach and sole selector of the Australian schoolboys team that toured North America, and I was lucky enough to be picked, along with Eddie Krncevic, George Christopoulos, Charlie Yankos, Tony Pezzano, Greg Woodhouse, Danny Moulis, Paul Kay, Ian Hunter, Peter Raskopoulos, Malcolm McClelland, John Spanos and others.

On the tour, we beat the Canadian youth team 2-1, the USA youth team 2-0 and a Cali-

fornian select team 10-1, and since then, the players McLachlan chose have become some of the leading names in the sport.

McLachlan has proved his ability so often over the years, so I think J.U.S.T. made a big mistake in letting him go.

Blacktown's Phil O'Connor is to have a cartilage operation and he'll be out of action for maybe a month. We wish him a swift recovery.

It'll be some fight for the goalscoring honors in the NSL this season.

Last year, it was a two-way battle between Doug Brown (Hellas) and Marshall Soper (Olympic), but quite a few others will be involved this season.

There's Frank Fariza of Canberra, Joe Sweeney of Juventus, and Steve Winn of Heidelberg, for example, and I'm going to give it a nudge as well, now that I've been moved to the forward line.

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**Happy fans pose a threat**

Much has been said lately about the behaviour of certain crowd elements at soccer, always referring to the "nasties".

However, problems can arise even when there isn't the slightest element of malice present.

Specifically, I refer to some Melbourne venues, such as Middle Park, where crowd invasions take place with a regularity which invites inquiries into the lack of any noticeable action by the NSL or the home clubs involved.

Just on the law of averages, it is only a matter of time before a child gets injured in the mass invasions of pitches which seem to occur after almost every goal scored by the host club.

Neither the home club, nor the referees, nor the NSL are doing anything to put an end to this dangerous practice which seems to become more prevalent each week.

It's dangerous, could lead to some nasty legal wrangles and does nothing for the promotion of soccer as a professional entertainment on television.

**Canterbury1 Warr. Narabene 0**  
Scorers: Joannides 40'.

**With Peter Scott N FOCUS**

Time something was done about it

**R.I.P. KB United**

Rest in peace KB United, it was time while it lasted.

But, there is more than that to Newcastle's demise — a lot of very awkward questions remain to be answered.

For instance, what sort of people were in charge of the Newcastle operation, who decided to kick off the 1984 season, in spite of being fully aware of the club's precarious financial position?

What sort of screening procedures are in place for NSL membership each season?

Why is it that the ASF, which is the responsible body when it comes to the composition of the National League, wasn't aware of Union's plight?

And if it was, why didn't it act? How can a team which drops out of the league be replaced by a brand new outfit during the season?

How can such a new team be allowed to "take over" the record of the team which is now defunct?

Has there ever been a precedent for such unorthodox occurrences anywhere else, anytime in world soccer?

The mind truly boggles.





**Fawknar and Polonia both face danger games this weekend as they continue their battle for top billing in the State League ladder.**

Fawknar's trip to Ralph Reserve on Saturday won't be plain sailing. Suburbs should have completed the signing of Andy Bzikas from Fawknar in time to allow him to face his former team mates.

Suburbs certainly can't be taken lightly. They've surprised me this year. After watching them twice in the Buffalo

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Cup I thought that at best a middle of the table finish was what they could expect. Right now, they are looking like top four candidates.

Ged Stenson has been grabbing the limelight at Suburbs in recent weeks. His battle against aggressive Fawknar centre half Frank Macleod on Saturday should be a match highlight.

Green Gully Ajax and Melbourne Croatia learned over

the past few seasons, how discomforting it can be to travel to Croydon Park. It's Polonia's turn to face up to the confines of that venue on Sunday.

The outcome of tonight's (Wednesday's) VSF investigation of a video tape of the recent brawl during the Fawknar-Polonia match last month, could have a major bearing on this match. Should the VSF decide to act, and

quickly, two Polonia players may have charges to answer arising out of the unruly scenes which erupted when a spectator clashed with Polonia's David Gibson.

Deton can win its first game of the league season on Saturday against Albion Rovers at Selwyn Park. If Doveton can't beat undermanned Albion, then it's a definite bottom four candidate.

Peter Desira and Les Shorrock have been fighting for the past few days over which one will cover this match for us

Shorrock won. Desira is covering the match.

Morwell Falcons must beat Knox at North Criggin Reserve on Saturday. Falcons coach Jimmy Dunne has heard the rumors linking Bobby McLachlan with Falcons. Jimmy, like me, doesn't for one minute believe these rumors.

Don't worry Jimmy. In another two weeks we Bobby's name will have been linked with a dozen clubs.

**SATURDAY**  
**MORWELL FALCONS v Knox City at North Criggin**

**Reserve, 3 pm.**  
**Albion Rovers v DOVETON at Selwyn Park, 3 pm.**  
**Broadmeadows v BOX HILL at Laura Douglas Reserve, 3 pm.**  
**Western Suburbs v FAWKNER at Ralph Reserve, 3 pm.**  
**Northcote v Frankston Pines (draw), at John Cain Reserve, 3 pm.**

**SUNDAY**  
**RINGWOOD WILHELMINA v St Albans Dinamo at Jubilee Park, 3 pm.**  
**Croydon v POLONIA at Croydon Park, 3 pm.**

	W	D	L	F	A	P
FAWKNER.....	4	1	0	14	6	9
POLONIA.....	3	2	0	15	5	8
WEST SUBS.....	4	0	1	13	9	8
STON PINES.....	3	1	1	6	3	7
Box Hill.....	3	1	1	7	6	7
Northcote.....	3	0	2	11	5	6
Croydon.....	3	0	2	11	4	6
Morwell F.....	1	3	1	4	4	5
Knox.....	2	1	2	7	8	5
Wilhelmina.....	0	3	2	5	8	3
B'meadows.....	1	0	4	5	9	2
Doveton.....	0	2	3	3	7	2
Albion R.....	1	0	4	3	11	2
St Albans.....	0	0	5	3	15	0

**FRANKSTON PINES 2 (Ross 7th, Dick 37th) BROADMEADOWS 1 (Vasic 23rd) at Monterey Boulevard, Saturday.**

**FRANKSTON PINES:** Stuchbury 7 - Wilson 7, Thurlow 7, Cummings 7, Beech 7 - Ross 8, Cooke 7, Miller 7 - O'Halloran 7, Dick 8 (sent off 80th), Livingstone 5 (McGinnigle 40th). 7. Coach: Danny McMinimie.

**BROADMEADOWS:** Grech 8 - Donaldson 5, Sendra 4 (Acosta 11, 6), Daniels 5, Simat 5 - Watson 6, Wilson 7, Stokos 5 - Umberto 5, Vasic 7, Vaccaro 4 (Atanasovski 75th). Coach: Dave O'Connor.

**Best three for Schipano's Player of the Year award: 3 Grech (B), 2 Ross (Pines), 1 Dick (Pines).**

**POLONIA 1 (Przybyla 60th) MORWELL FALCONS 0 at Raleigh Reserve, Sunday.**

**POLONIA:** Fryzser 7 - Avian 6, Mila 9, Innes 7, Smolarek 8 - Petrov 7, Trent 6, Gardiner 8, G. Czapiak 8 - Mitten 7, Przybyla 7. Coach: John Gardiner.

**MORWELL FALCONS:** Whiteside 7 - Bingham 7, Higham 7, Clarke 8, Train 6 - Moore 7, MacLean 8, O'Callaghan 7, Kent 7 - Athersch 5, McGuinness 7 (J. van Baar 81st). Coach: Jimmy Dunne.

**Best three for Schipano's Player of the Year award: 3 Mila (P), 2 MacLean (MF), 1 G. Czapiak (P).**

**BOX HILL 3 (Verechia 30th, Keenan 37th, 81st) ALBION ROVERS 0 at Wembley Park, Sunday.**

**BOX HILL:** McKinlay 7 - 1. Roadhouse 7, Brooks 7, Brownie 7, A. Roadhouse 7 - White 7, Underwood 6, Hughes 8 (Hennessey 81st), Keenan 8 - Verechia 7 (Taylor 78th), Azopardi 6. Coach: Bill Murray.

**ALBION ROVERS:** Bryden 6 - Galea 6, D'Sylva 7, Stevens 6, Douglas 8 - McMorow 6 (Fenech 62nd), Reilly 7, Gilmore 7 - Bouzas 7, Rodriguez 6 (sent off 77th), Spiteri 7. Coach: Billy McIntyre.

**Best three for Schipano's Player of the Year award: 3 Hughes (BH), 2 Keenan (BH), 1 Douglas (Albion).**

**FAWKNER 2 (Cavallari 63rd, Palinkas 75th) NORTH-COTE 0 at Smith Reserve, Sunday.**

**FAWKNER:** Terzini 9 - Petrocicli 7, Cavallari 7, Macleod 7, Hobson 8 - Palmariocliotti 7, Giacomini 7 (Lia 25th), Garvey 8 - Palinkas 7, Tuffield 7, Cozzella 7 (Sannipoli 80th). Coach: Gus Macleod.

**NORTH-COTE:** Gianopoulos 7 - Cutler 7, Katsakidis 6, Bzikos 7, Mihos 6 (Patriotis 64th) - Toro 7 (in), Guigley 8, Wilson 7 - Dionisopoulos 6, Boarotto 6, Micevski 6 (Constantinou 64th). Coach: Tony Vrina.

**Best three for Schipano's Player of the Year award: 3 Terzini (F), 2 Guigley (North), 1 Garvey (F).**

**DOVETON 1 (Webster 25th) CROYDON 2 (Griffith 43rd, Allan 78th) at Wadga Reserve, Sunday.**

**DOVETON:** Ryan 7 - Gadega 6, Miller 7, Buchanan 6, Fitzpatrick 8 - McLeod 6 (Edmond 70th), Watson 7, Laletas 7, Savio 6 (Lennon 70th) - Striton 6, Webster 8. Coach: Hammy McMeachan.

**CROYDON:** Kastner 7 - Ormond 7, Bates 6, Singleton 7, Loy Salsi 5 - Marley 8, Brewerton 8, Lucio Salsi 5 - Allan 8, Griffith 8, Killey 6. Coach: Colin Hasler.

**Best three for Schipano's Player of the Year award: 3 Marley (Croy), 2 Webster (Dove), 1 Griffith (Croy).**

**KNOX CITY 2 (House 83rd, 90th) RINGWOOD WILHELMINA 2 (Wells 57th, Adams 81st) at Egan Lee Reserve, Saturday.**

**KNOX CITY:** MacTurk 6, Dixon 6, Bissinger 7, Tunstall 6, Roddis 6, Smith 7, Brindle 5 (Lesbirel 75th), Wild 7 (Murray 75th), Gerrish 7, Masters 6. House 8. Coach: Eric Lesbirel.

**WILHELMINA:** Lee 8, Murray 5, Meyer 7, Corke 6, Verniers 5, Haupt 7, Wells 7, Burton 8, Adams 6, Bakker 7, Warszawa 7. Coach: Rudi van Altema.

**Best three for Schipano's Player of the Year award: 3 Burton (W), 2 House (KC), 1 Lee (W).**

**ST ALBANS DINAMO 1 (Bruno 4th) WESTERN SUBURBS 2 (Lazopoulos 20th, 64th) at Churchill Reserve, Saturday.**

**ST ALBANS DINAMO:** Ivokive 4 (Lacock 27th 5); Nobilo 4 (Istuk 69th), Brkijacic 7, Radman 4, Bozic 5; Pavlovic 5, Batilovic 4, Morovic 6; Bruno 4, Culina 5, Dezic 7. Coach: Billy Vojeck.

**WESTERN SUBURBS:** Tachiris 7; Papachristodoulou 6, Di-movski 6, Howe 8, Lekkas 6 (Diliberto 72nd); Hamil 6, Mussell 7, Coyle 7; Lazopoulos 8, Stenson 6, Filippis 6. Coach: Jim Condis.

**Best three for Schipano's Player of the Year award: 3 House (WS), 2 Lazopoulos (WS), 1 Dezic (SA).**

## SCHIPANO AWARD

Schipano Home Furnishers are the sponsors of our 1984 State League Player of the Year award.

The winner receives \$1000 worth of furniture of his choice. Votes are cast on a 3-2-1 basis for each league game. In the event of a tie, the player making the least number of appearances will be declared the winner.

**Leading votegeters:**  
10 - Marley (Croy)  
8 - Stenson (WS)  
7 - Bingham (Morw)  
6 - Smith (Box Hill), Mila, Mitten (Pol), Meyer, Burton (Wilhel)

5 - 1. Roadhouse (Box Hill), Singleton (Croy), McTurk (Knox), Wilson (North), Przybyla (Pol), Lazopoulos (WS)  
4 - Terzini (Fawk), Gerrish, House (Knox), MacLean (Morw), Lipiarski (Pol)

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8 - Przybyla (Pol)  
5 - Lazopoulos (WS)  
4 - Gerrish (Knox), Dionisopoulos (North), Coyle (WS)  
3 - Smith, Keenan (Box Hill), Cozzella (Fawk), Mitten (Pol)

# There's a lesson to be learned, Branko

Dinamo 1  
W. Suburbs 2

Scorers: Bruno 4th (D); Lazopoulos 20th, 64th (WS). Venue: Churchill Reserve.

After watching yet another defeat for Dinamo

one is left to wonder where Branko Culina is heading with his soccer career.

There is little doubt that he still possesses the silky skills

which brought him to the forefront of Victorian soccer while still a teenager at Essendon Lions.

He demonstrated as such by creating any scoring chances

## Wilhelmina throws it away!

Knox City 2  
Wilhelmina 2

Scorers: House 83rd, 90th (KC); Wells 57th, Adams 81st (W). Venue: Egan Lee Reserve.

This was a match Wilhelmina should have won after leading 2-0 with only nine minutes left, and playing against a

Knox City's player-coach Erik Lesbirel was given his marching orders by ref Lou Hemmes in the 80th minute, but Greg House salvaged a point for his team with two opportunist goals, scoring the equalizer in the last minute of ordinary time.

Mark Wells opened the scoring for Wilhelmina in the 57th

minute when Stuart MacTurk dropped a Guy Bakker cross, and he hammered the loose ball home from close range.

Wilhelmina went further ahead following a Paul Corke free kick, which found Graeme Hant, whose low cross was slotted home by Kevin Adams from two metres.

Lesbirel made a double substitution in the 76th minute, replacing Martin Wild (one of Knox's better players in the first half) and Billy Brindle with himself and Nigel Murray.

Five minutes later, Lesbirel was sent off for already striking Wilhelmina's most prominent player, Barry Burton.

# PRZYBYLA WINS IT

Polonia 1  
Morwell F.O.

Scorers: Przybyla 60th. Venue: Raleigh Reserve.

The goal that decided this clash between title challengers Polonia and Morwell came after an unusual sequence of events in the 59th and 60th minutes.

Referee Dennis Voutsinas twice had warned Morwell stopper John Higham for tackles in the first half. Higham's third infraction came in the 59th minute when he tripped Janusz Przybyla just outside the Morwell area.

Voutsinas booked Higham, then proceeded to push the Morwell defensive wall back.

As Voutsinas struggled to get Morwell players back the

required distance, Polonia player-coach John Gardiner quickly took the free kick, curving the ball with the outside of his right foot into the far left hand corner of goal.

Voutsinas ordered a retake. Again, the referee struggled to push Morwell's defensive wall back. Finally, Voutsinas gave up, and allowed the free kick to be taken.

Gardiner rolled the ball to his left, to Przybyla, who curled a delightful shot into the top far corner for the decisive goal of the game.

From that moment on, the match opened up. Both teams had been extremely tentative for the first hour. Polonia was without suspended David Gibson, injured captain Ricky Li-

piarski, Andrew Czapiak and still unavailable Les Shorrock. Morwell initially looked like it had arrived at Raleigh Reserve well content to earn a point.

But Przybyla's superb goal changed all that.

A great Gardiner through ball in the 61st minute set up Joe Tront, whose chip was saved in style by Morwell goalkeeper Bill Whiteside, who tipped the ball over the bar.

A moment later Morwell almost struck back.

Michael Fryzser, making his debut with Polonia in the absence of Mike Lubac, who injured his ribs in a car crash on the weekend, fumbled a shot from Chris Kent. However, the ball was cleared off the line.

One of the best moves of the match came from Polonia in the 71st minute. A superb interpassing move involving Noel Mitten, Greg Czapiak, Przybyla, Mitten again and finally Przybyla ended with Whiteside making a fine save at his near post from a Przybyla shot.

Minutes later Jim MacLean sent Steve Moore clear, who on the right, Moore's near post cross was touched toward the far post by MacLean, who watched in dismay as the ball trickled agonisingly wide.

Bobby McGuinness was replaced in the 81st minute by Jack van Baar, a surprising move. McGuinness had been Morwell's only forward as Russell Athersch struggled in this match.

Just as surprising was Chris Kent's reluctance to take on young, inexperienced Polonia Falcons kept playing long crosses into the Polonia area, a fruitless tactic when you compare the stature of Fryzser to that of McGuinness and Athersch.

simple pass without trying to look spectacular and if only his shooting could improve could well fulfil the potential he showed at Croatia.

It was from Dezie's corner kick that Dinamo took a shock lead after only five minutes with John Bruno heading the ball home.

But the lead was short-lived, mainly because Suburbs is a far more direct side although according to coach Jim Condis this was the team's worst performance of the season so far.

In Bill Lazopoulos, Condis has unearthed a youngster of undoubted potential and a nose for goals which Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey, scouting at the game, couldn't have helped but notice.

Lazopoulos put Suburbs on level terms after 20 minutes grazing home Hamill's cross from the left.

Then he scored the goal of the game in the 58th minute swooping onto Ged Stenson's through ball to slot the ball past the advancing Danny Lacock with nonchalant, almost arrogant ease.

## Metro Division One

**WERRIBEE 1 (McNally 6th) NUNAWADING CITY 4 (W. Greenwald 3rd, 78th, Furzer 28th, Mullett 75th) at Galvin Park, Saturday.**

**WERRIBEE:** Dimopoulos, Mantello, Reardon, Kilpatrick, Di-Gioacchino, Murphy, Ilich, McNelly, Belyay, Gendall, Felton, Caltwood 45m. Coach: P. Marshall.

**NUNAWADING CITY:** Madjer, Brown, Seneca, Furzer, J. Deon, G. Van Leuven, N. Van Edmond Jr., J. Greenwald, Nyholt, S. P. Cirka 5, Vanden 45th, W. Greenwald. Coach: N. Van Edmond Sr.

Playing with the wind in the first half Nunawading soon applied pressure to the Werribee defence and W. Greenwald opened the scoring when he chipped over Dimopoulos into the net.

In the 28th minute Furzer, making his debut up where he met Van Edmond's free kick with a fierce header to give Dimopoulos no chance.

Werribee reduced the leeway in the 68th minute. A fierce 30 metre shot was brilliantly parried by Madjer only to see McNally following up to blast home the rebound.

Eight minutes later Nunawading put the match beyond doubt with a fine move. Van Edmond found W. Greenwald on the left and his accurate cross was met first time by Mullett who netted.

In the 78th minute W. Greenwald scored his second goal when Nyholt's through pass found him in the clear, and he kept the keeper and netted from close range.

## Metro Division Two

**ELTHAM 2 (Norton 8th, Vanderslik 89th) CAULFIELD CITY 0 at North Eltham, Saturday.**

**ELTHAM:** Carey 8, Alderson 8, M. Cirka 8, Lewis 9, DeLany 9, Woodward 8, Curcio 9, Raynes 9, P. Cirka 8, Vanderslik 8, Norton 8.

**CAULFIELD CITY:** Petrou 6, Sakkas 6, Taitiridis 7, Sahinidis 6, Koullouas 8, Biliar 8, Stamoulous 7, Koutas 8, Sidropoulos 7, Petakos 8, Diamatris 8.

If this game had been a horse race the Redbacks would have been swabbed and an inquiry held, such was the

improvement in their performance from the previous week.

The Redbacks did not allow the league leader to settle at any stage. Davy Norton put the home side ahead in the 8th minute when he intercepted a pass back by Sahinidis and netted from close in.

Norton and Vanderslik caused a lot of bother to the visitors and just on time Norton who appeared to handle the ball, pushed it through to Vanderslik who hit a fierce shot into the net off the keeper's hands.

## Prov Division Two

**KYNETON 0 SOUTH DANDENONG 2 (Corneo 19th, Bartlett 45th) at Kyneton, Saturday.**

**KYNETON:** Manolis, Stafraco, Lombardi, Graethen, Bennett, Turic (M. Samuel 85th), Kulyk, Smith, Kenna, Lasez, Gouling 15, Oddy 53.

**SOUTH DANDENONG:** Bravo, Romero, Ramos, Vezic, Jimenez, Corneo, Bartlett, Romero, Castillo, Angulo, Cid (J. Presta 45th). Best players: KYNETON: Greet.

A short Bartlett corner to Angula whose cross found the Kyneton defence in all sorts of trouble led to the first goal. Corneo's overhead kick put the visitors ahead after 19 minutes.

Just on half-time Bartlett powered a solo run down the right to hammer an angled shot past Manolis.

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## CUP WINNERS' CUP

# 'Juve' in the box seat

**MANCHESTER UNITED (England) 1 JUVENTUS (Italy) 1.** Scorers: Manchester United, Davies (36th minute); Juventus, Rossi (15). Halftime 1-1. Attendance 58,231.

**MANCHESTER UNITED:** Bailey, Duxbury, Albiston, McGrath, Moran, Hogg, Graham, Moses, Stapleton, Whiteside, Gidman (Davies).

**JUVENTUS:** Tacconi, Gentile, Cabrini, Bonini, Brio, Scirea, Pradelli, Tardelli, Rossi, Platini, Boniek.

Juventus held patched-up Manchester United to a 1-1 draw in Manchester, and now is hot favorite to win the second leg in Italy.

It was a brave performance by United, robbed of regular midfielders Bryan Robson and Ray Wilkins and Dutchman Arnold Muhren. And they might have travelled to Italy for

the semi final return leg in two weeks' time a goal in front but for a remarkable miss by the normally reliable Frank Stapleton.

Italian World Cup hero Paulo Rossi plunged United into trouble after 14 minutes. Polish international Zbigniew Boniek set the talented striker free and his shot deflected past goalkeeper Gary Bailey off the boot of Graeme Hogg.

But United, despite its depleted side, refused to lie down and Alan Davies, playing his first match since United's FA Cup final win last May, scrambled the equaliser in the 35th minute when goalkeeper Stefano Tacconi failed to hold Norman Whiteside's snap shot.

United may rue Stapleton's miss. The Irish international, made captain for the night in the absence of Robson, found space less than three metres out but crashed his shot against the crossbar with the second half just 20 minutes old.

United was rocked after seven minutes when John Gidman was taken off injured and Davies came on to deputise.

## 'Golden Boot' Gomes

**PORTO (Portugal) 1 ABERDEEN (Scotland) 0** in Oporto. Scorer: Porto — Gomes (14th minute). Halftime 1-0. Attendance 60,000.

**PORTO:** Ze Beto, Joao Pinto, Inacio, Lima Pereira, Eduardo, Luis, Jaime Magalhães, Frasco, Sousa, Gomes, Jaime Pacheco, Costa.

**ABERDEEN:** Jim Leighton, Stuart McKimmie, Doug Rughie, Neale Cooper, Alex McLeish, Willie Miller, Gordon Strachan, Eric Black, Mark McGhee, Neale Simpson, Doug Bell.

\* Aberdeen put on a lacklustre performance but earned a good result by conceding only one goal to the unlucky Portuguese in their Cup winners' Cup semifinal.

The Scots did little to impress Porto's 60,000 capacity crowd, keeping well in defence throughout most of the match.

Porto, whose tireless attacking and evident midfield skill failed to produce the handful of goals they deserved, scored in the 14th minute when Jaime Magalhães flicked a Costa corner to Gomes who headed in neatly home.

One minute later Gomes,

Europe's "Golden Boot," produced an almost identical header which Aberdeen goalkeeper Jim Leighton stretched full length to save.

And twice in the second half Gomes missed good scoring chances, the first when his shot was blocked by McLeish hurting himself in his path, the second when in the 75th minute he put a shot to one side of an open goal.

Aberdeen's only scoring chance of the first half came in the 41st minute when Mark McGhee forced Porto goalkeeper Ze Beto into a full length save.

International star Gordon Strachan failed to live up to his reputation and produced only a glimpse of his form at the end of the match when his 84th minute shot at goal took Beto by surprise.

In the second half Aberdeen manager Alex Ferguson brought on John Hewitt — who scored the winning goal in last year's final against Real Madrid — and Mitchell to replace Doug Bell and Doug Rughie and strengthen the Aberdeen attack.

• First-leg semi-finals of the three big European competitions.

## EUROPEAN CUP

# 'Doping' charge by Roma

**DUNDEE UNITED (Scotland) 2 ROMA (Italy) 0** in Dundee. Scorers: Dundee United, Dadds, Stark. Halftime 0-0. Attendance 20,543.

**DUNDEE UNITED:** McAlpine, Gough, Hegarty, Narey, Malpas, Stark, Bannan, Kirkwood, Sturrock, Dadds, Milne.

**ROMA:** Tancredi, Oddi, Righetti, Nela, Chierzo, Di Bartolomei, Maldera, Thonino, Cerezo, Conti, Pruzzo, Graziani.

AS Roma, pushed to the brink of a European Cup exit by Dundee United, has fired the first shots in a smear campaign which could threaten the Scottish club's progress in the competition.

After United's 2-0 semi-final first leg victory at Tannadice Park in Dundee, the Italians accused United of using stimulants.

Roma president Dino Viola also questioned East German referee Siegfried Kirschen about whether UEFA carried out dope tests.

The allegations were seen by manager Jim McLean as "just the start" of intimidatory tactics designed to

turn the volatile Italian crowd against United in the second leg in Rome's Olympic Stadium on April 25.

The United manager had nothing but contempt for the suggestion that the players were on stimulants and even the UEFA observer instantly dismissed the Roma claims.

McLean said with a wry smile: "I would like to find out which drug they are supposed to have been on — so that I can give them it every week. Seriously, though, UEFA is welcome to test whenever it wants."

The Romans, who arrived in Scotland as hot favorites to contest the European Cup final in their own Olympic stadium on May 30, were outplayed by Dundee for most of the game.

The Italians, typically tight at the back but so threatening up front, emerged unscathed from the first 45 minutes. But they fell under the charm of United, the so-called "Cinderella" outfit, in the second half.

Three minutes after the interval, United moved desper-

ately ahead when striker David Dodds netted from close in after Eamonn Bannon saw a crossbar shot blocked by Roma goalkeeper Tancredi.

With the much-vaunted Roma defence reeling, defender Derek Stark added the second on the hour with a ferocious drive from 30 metres which had Tancredi clawing clean air.

United manager McLean, understandably jubilant at the end, said: "We're just 90 minutes away from absolute glory. I was really proud of the players, we scored twice but deserved even more."

"I told them at half time that we were out of the com-

petition the way things stood, and they might as well relax. They did just that and I was proud of them."

United, which had survived a first-half scare when World Cup star Francesco Graziani shaved the crossbar with a header, moved up a gear in the second half and left the Romans gasping with their silky football.

Indeed, they could have doubled their first-leg advantage in the closing 20 minutes. First Tancredi touched over a superb header by defender Paul Hegarty, then international striker Paul Sturrock headed weakly over from less than six metres.

## LEE THE HERO

**LIVERPOOL (England) 1 DINAMO BUCHAREST (Romania) 0.** Scorers: Liverpool — Lee (26th minute). Halftime 1-0. Attendance 36,941.

**LIVERPOOL:** Grabbelaar, Neal, Kennedy, Lawrenson, Whelan, Hansen, Dalglish, Lee, Rush, Johnston, Soames.

**DINAMO:** Moraru, Rednic, Stancu, Augustin, Nicolae, Mat, Talar, Andone, Dragnea, Movila, Orac.

A night as brutal as any Liverpool has endured in its years of European Cup campaigns left the English champion with yet another second leg mountain to climb after its 1-0 win.

Semifinal opponent Dinamo Bucharest of Romania mixed wild kicking and off-the-ball aggression with time-wasting and its approach gave the first leg host little chance to establish any rhythm.

Dinamo's punishment from Swiss referee Andre Diana was four bookings, one of which will keep midfielder Ion Andone out of the second leg.

Liverpool's reward for almost total domination of the actual play was a 26th minute goal from Sammy Lee. The English midfielder sneaked through a crowded goalmouth to head in an accurately-struck free kick from full-back Alan Kennedy.

In spite of the twisting runs of Craig Johnston, the non-stop effort of Lee and the brave attempts of Ian Rush and Kenny Dalglish, Liverpool managed few chances.

The Romanians showed themselves capable of good defensive play when the mood took them and their ability to counter-attack was underlined in the 18th minute.

Romanian international striker Ion Augustin chased a long clearance, beat Mark Lawrenson with ease and struck his shot against the foot of the post.

Augustin continued to look the players most likely to cause Liverpool problems in the return leg.

## EUROPEAN FOOTBALL UNION CUP

# Gudelj, Pesic, fight back

**HADJUK SPLIT (Yugoslavia) 2 TOTTENHAM (England) 1** in Split. Scorers: Hajduk — Gudelj (67th minute), Pesic (77). Tottenham — Falco (19). Halftime 0-1. Attendance 35,000.

**HADJUK SPLIT:** Zoran Simovic, Nikica Cukrov, Sanko Miljus, Ivan Gudelj, Ivica Jeromir, Zedran Rosic, Zoran Vucic, Bla Fliskovic, Zoran Vukovic, Drago Celic, Dusan Pesic.

**TOTTENHAM:** Tony Parks, Paul Miller, Graham Roberts, Chris Hughton, Danny Thomas, Mike Hazard, Gary Mabbutt, Tony Galvin, Steve Perryman, Mark Falco, Steve Archibald.

Two second-half goals steered Yugoslavia's

Hajduk Split to a fraught 2-1 win over England's Tottenham in their UEFA cup semi final first leg tie.

Injury-hit Tottenham without talented England midfielder Glenn Hoddie or Argentine Osvaldo Ardiles, grabbed a shock lead after just 19 minutes when Mark Falco scored.

But the Yugoslavs responded with goals from defender

Ivana Gudelj and Dusan Pesic after Tottenham seemed set to return home on the threshold of its first UEFA Cup final for a decade.

Falco fired Tottenham ahead seconds after missing a penalty. Gudelj handed the ball inside the area and Falco slipped up to convert the kick.

His attempts Zoran saved by goalkeeper Zoran Simovic but Tottenham winger Tony Galvin collected the rebound and crossed for Falco to scramble the ball home.

Tottenham eased confidently towards victory until Gudelj struck in the 67th minute, when his shot from seven metres deflected off Gary Mabbutt past Tottenham goalkeeper Tony Parks.

The goal inspired the Yugoslavs and 10 minutes later striker Pesic snatched the winner from close range after a corner from Bla Siskovic.

As the tension grew, referee Robert Wurtz booked Graham Roberts and Hajduk's Nikica Cukrov. But Tottenham survived the final minutes to take an advantage into the second leg.



Nigel Davenport

## Little Hodge heads two

**NOTTINGHAM FOREST (England) 2 ANDERLECHT (Belgium) 0** in Nottingham. Scorers: Forest — Hodge 2 (84th and 88th minutes). Halftime 0-0. Attendance 22,681.

**NOTTINGHAM FOREST:** Van Breukelen, Anderson, Swain, Fairclough, Hart, Bowyer, Wigley, Mills, Davenport, Hodge, Walsh.

**ANDERLECHT:** Munro, Peruzovic, De Greef, Czerniatynski, De Groot, Vercauteren, Vandenbergh, Olsen, Sefc.

The tiny figure of Steve Hodge pointed Nottingham Forest towards the UEFA Cup final with two late headed goals against Belgium Cup holders Anderlecht.

Anderlecht looked set for a satisfying goaldrop in this first leg of the semi final when Hodge struck in four dramatic minutes near the end.

Forest had tried everything to break down its illustrious Belgian opponents and appeared to be running out of attacking ideas.

No-one was prepared for Forest's final charge.

Gary Mills, who had worked so tirelessly and impressively on his return to European action after breaking his leg in three places two years ago, fired over a deep cross in the 84th minute. Hodge popped up at the far post to head home.

Four minutes later he struck again. This time Steve Wigley sent over the cross and again Hodge was unchecked as he stooped low to nod the ball into goal.

There was not even time for Anderlecht to raise a spirited reply.

The outcome was a splendid result for Forest, missing key striker Garry Birtles.

Peter Davenport toiled manfully in attack but to often lacked support — and luck. In the 48th minute his shot after a corner was kicked off the line

Hofkens repeated the feat in the 72nd minute when Hodge's header was palmed on to his back and cleared by goalkeeper Jacques Munaron.



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4. Wally Bojczuk won the South Australian Rothmans Medal in 1979. What club was he playing for?

5. Who was runner-up in the voting for the 1983 Western Australian Rothmans Gold Medal award?

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Εκείνο που κακό το λιβάνισμα του Τόπου για τα ίδια και ίδια πρόσωπα γύρω από τους παράγοντες των συλλόγων μας από λίγο πολύ μερικοί έχουν μαθαλθεί όχι το καλόν αλλά... μαμπουφ.

Και μάλιστα όταν η ομάδα τους βλέπει νίκες, τότε πούδους τους πιάνει, τότε ξεχάνει ακόμη και τους φίλους που τους βοήθησαν να ξεκινήσουν και να σταθούν στα πόστα που έχουν.

Και' δεν είναι μόνο αυτό αλλά είναι και άπαικτικοί και δεν ανέχονται την κάθε κριτική όταν έχουν πέσει σε κάποιο λάθος... Κρίμα... πολύ κρίμα.

## ΤΟ ΓΡΑΦΟΜΕ ΜΕ ΒΥΦΙΛΛΑΧΗ

Δεν γνωρίζουμε αν είναι αλήθεια ή όχι και κατά πόσο λήχθηκε μέσα στο Δ.Συμβούλιο της "Ελλάς" γι' αυτό το γράφουμε με σχετική επιφύλαξη.

Εκείτοις ή κάποιοι μέσα από το Συμβούλιο είναι της γνώμης πως η ομάδα κάθε χρόνο πρέπει να ενισχύεται με ένα παίκτη της αξίας των... 25.000 δολαρίων.

Φαίνεται λοιπόν ότι τους "πέρασε" και γι' αυτό πήραν τον Πάλ Λιούθς που μαζί με την υπογραφή του στοίχισε πάνω από τις 32.000 δολάρια.

Μπερδεύτηκε μόνο όταν μάρκετ ο πληρω φοροδότης ότι ο Δέν Μάκνερν δεν έδειξε ενδιαφέρον για τον Λιούθς... Μα είναι δυνατόν;

## ΑΣΤΕΙΑ ΠΡΑΓΜΑΤΑ

Σταμάτησε από το πόστο του ο πάρα πολύ φιλότιμος και εργατικός παράγοντας της "Σκ-

λός" Κ. Λίνος Λόλλινς και παρόληνη το έργο του σε στενή σχέση... έκφραση της.

"Τοι το μετρήσαντο άρχισε να αλλάζει χέρι και στέ τέλος άκουσαμε και το άραιο: "Λίος ο άνθρωπος που άκουστηκε από το με γάφου... είναι και" άναγκη μέχρι να βρεθεί ο κατάλληλος για να πρόκειται για... έρχομαι της "Ελλάς".

Για την περίπτωση αυτή όμως μάθαμε και το άλλο: πως το ίδιο άτομο πρό ημερών έκανε χρέη (αφ' γαλάς) γραμματέα της "Ελλάς".

Πώς πως γίνεται να είναι ανεπιθύμητος και συγχρόνως... γραμματέας, αυτό άνηκε όχι στα παράξενα αλλά στα φαιερά.

## ΠΡΩΤΟΣ ΜΠΟΡΤΑ ΤΟ ΚΑΛΗ

Το "Καλή" μετά την νίκη του 2-0 επί του Μπρόντμπαλ και την ήττα του Κάλφλιντ από το "Σθαμ", έπιασε την 1η θέση στον βαθμολογικό πίνακα της Β' του Μετροπόλιταν.

Στο μικρό ντέρμπι που μοιράστηκε σε έδαφική υποχώρη, το "Καλή" που ήταν και η γηπεδούχος είχε μεγαλύτερη αποτέλεσμα κόντρα και πήρε τους δύο βαθμούς με τέρματα του Αλφ Στερνγλου (20' και 81').

Έπαιξαν οι "Αλεξανδρόπουλος, Τ.Γιαβαρντίνας, Στοιγιάννου (Αεονάρδος) Τασόπουλος, Μπακίτσο, Γκιόσσο, Κοντοκόστας, Καραμπάτος, Στερνγλου, Τσέτσος (Η.Γιαβαρντίνας), Παλίνια.

Σύμφωνα με τον ρεφερέ: Στερνγλου, 2 Μπακίτσο, 1 Κοντοκόστας.

Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 1-0 (Κριστιλίδης).

## ΠΥΛΑΓΟΡΑΣ: ΤΟΣ ΜΕ ΔΥΟ ΒΑΘΜΟΥΣ ΔΙΑΦΟΡΑ

Νέο θρίαμβο πέτυχε ο Πυθαγόρας 4-1 επί του Πόρτ και πέρασε στην 1η θέση μόνος του με 2 βαθμούς διαφορά.

Η ελληνική ομάδα σημείωσε τα γκολ με τους Σ.Κακαβούλη (17'), Κατόλινο (25') "Αποστολόπουλο (70'-80').

Πήραν τους βαθμούς από τον ρεφερέ οι: Γ.Τσακαλίδης 3, Κατόλινο 2, Γ.Κακαβούλης 2, Σύνθετος: Λέρης, Γ.Τσακαλίδης, Γ.Κακαβούλης, Κασάκης, Καρτιτόγλου, Χατζηπαναγιώ-

της, Κόνας (60' Αποστολόπουλος) Σ.Κακαβούλης, Κατόλινο, Σωτήρης (46' Κόνας) Τσακαλίδης. Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 6-1.

## ΕΚΤΟΣ ΠΑΡΑΓΕΙΤΗΣ ΟΥΔΕ ΚΑΡΑΠΙΣΤΑΙ

Η Κλαρίνα εκτός έδρας πήρε την νίκη 1-0 από την Τσέλσι με τέρμα που πέτυχε ο Η.Χαραλάμους στο 80' ενώ στο 76' Α.Γιακωβίτης σημείωσε το δοκάρι.

Η Ελληνική ομάδα είχε υπεροχή σε όλο το Β' μέρος.

Βαθμούς από τον ρεφερέ πήραν οι: Φεργα διώτης, Β. και Α.Γιακωβίτης.

Έπαιξαν οι: Ίωαννιδής, Ξεραβιλάκης, Σήζης, Μιλτιάδης, (75' Αποστολόπουλος), Κοντοκίς, Β. και Α.Γιακωβίτης, Θάλευ, Σοτζίνι, Κολιάρης (75' Χαραλάμους).

Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 2-0 (Ξενοδοικουδου).

## ΤΟ ΚΑΙΣΤΟΝ ΧΙΛ 2-0 ΤΟ ΜΠΟΡΤ

Στο γηπεδό του του Κλίστον Χιλ νίκησε 3-0 το Μπρόντμπαλ, ενώ με λίγη προσοχή από τους κνηνητές του Ίσας το σκόρ υψώθηκε μεγαλύτερο.

Η Ελληνική ομάδα άνοιξε το σκόρ στο 10' με τον Ανδριότση και στο 40' τα διπλόσσε με τον Στρατήκη που πλάσσε τον γκολκίπερ μετά από σούτ του Κοντρέρα.

Στην επανάληψη το Μπρόντμπαλ προσπάθησε αλλά η άμυνα του Κλίστον με καλύτερο παίκτη τον Τζών Ότοβλ πέρασε τις δυσκολίες στιγμές και έδωσε στην επίθεση την ευκαιρία να πετύχει και το τρίτο τέρμα στο 86' όταν ο αντίπαλος τερματοφύλακας έπιασε τον Ανδριότση από τα πόδια, κερδίζοντας πέναλτι.

Έκτελεστής ήταν ο Κοντρέρα που έκανε το τελικό 3-0.

Από τον άριστο ρεφερέ Ρ.ΜΑΤΕΣΚΙ (10) πήραν τους βαθμούς οι: Πελεργίνο 3, J. O'TOOLE 2, Π.Πελεργίνο 1.

Έπαιξαν οι: Κόργιος, Βλαχάκης (75' Γ.Κυριακίδης), Παράλιμης, Ότοβλ, Λορέντζι, Ντεαλίτπου, Πελεργίνο, Κοντρέρα, Πελεργίνο, Στρατήκης (77' Θάκος) και "Ανδριότση".

Η Β' ομάδα έχασε 1-2.

# YUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA

## PRVI PORAZ U GOSTIMA

JUST je doživio prvi poraz u gostima, sto je svako ocekivano. Posle nekoliko uzastopnih losih igara doslo je do promene trenera. Novi trener (Ced Cirivkovic) je naredio da se igra na srednjem terenu. U subotu 22. aprila Makedonija igra protiv Canberra City, a u predjelu mladih tima se sastaje sa Knox Cityem.

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# ALL THE BEST SOCCER THIS WEEKEND APRIL 21-22



## AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCE



Joe Watson  
Sydney City

### Leichhardt v Sydney City

Henson Park  
3 pm Sunday  
Previous NSL Results  
Sydney City 6 wins  
Leichhardt 2 wins  
2 draws

### Newcastle v Sydney Olympic

Adamstown Oval  
2.30 pm Saturday  
Previous NSL results  
Newcastle 3 wins  
Sydney Olympic 2 wins  
5 draws



Jim Rodkas  
Sydney Olympic



Peter Willis  
Wollongong

### Wollongong v Melita Eagles

Wollongong Showgrounds  
3 pm Sunday  
No Previous  
NSL results

### Penrith v Marconi

Cook Park  
3 pm Sunday  
No previous  
NSL results



Mark Jankovics  
Marconi



Bob Mountford  
Brisbane City

### St. George v Brisbane City

St. George Stadium  
Previous NSL results  
St. George 6 wins  
Brisbane City 3 wins  
3 Draws

### Sydney Croatia v Blacktown

King Tomislav Park  
3 pm Sunday  
No previous  
NSL Results



## NATIONAL CONFERENCE



Richard Miranda  
Juventus

### Adelaide City v Juventus

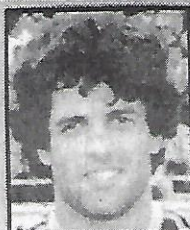
Olympic Sports Field  
2.30 pm Sunday  
No Previous  
NSL Results

### Brisbane Lions v Footscray

Richlands  
3 pm Sunday  
Previous NSL Results  
Lions 5 wins  
Footscray 6 wins  
2 draws



Kyri Kyriakouless  
Footscray



Theo Selemidis  
Heidelberg

### Green Gully v Heidelberg

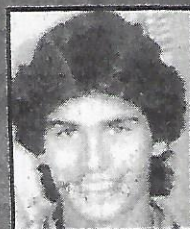
No previous  
NSL Results

### Melbourne Croatia v West Adelaide

No previous  
NSL results



George Henson  
Melbourne Croatia



Frank Farina  
Canberra Arrows

### Preston v Canberra Arrows

Connor Reserve  
3 pm Sunday  
Previous NSL Results  
Canberra 2 wins  
Preston 1 win  
1 draw

### South Melbourne v Sunshine George Cross

No previous  
NSL Results



Alan Contini  
S-George Cross